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THE SKELETON CUNARD.

REAL CAUSE OF STOPPAGE.

PREMIER NOT HOPEFUL.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Dec. 29. Strong representations continue to be made to the Government, urging that action be taken to enable the early completion of the super-giant Cunarder on which work in the Clyde yards has been suspended. Replying to these requests today, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said that the root of the trouble was not that of getting the ship built, but to get the Cunard company to believe that the ship, when built, can be sent away with some chance of paying its way.

Several of the biggest ships on the Atlantic are running at a loss and are lying idle. There would be no difficulty in getting the money for the building of the ship if there were any prospect at the moment of getting the interest repaid and the loans refunded. He did not think that there is any hope of a resumption of work till about Easter.

FINNISH COAST DRAMA.

A RESCUE PARTY RESCUED.

ALL DAY SEARCH FOR LIFEBOAT.

Helsingfors, Dec. 29. After scouring the sea off the Finnish coast all day long in a howling gale, salvage ships report that they have picked up a lifeboat which disappeared this morning after going to the rescue of the crew of a wrecked ship.

When the missing lifeboat was recovered, it was found that the crew had succeeded in rescuing the captain, the two mates and six members of the crew of the doomed ship, which was the Finnish ship, Orion.—Reuter.

ANTI-SOVIET PLOT CHARGES.

THE REPLY BLUNT BY CZECHS.

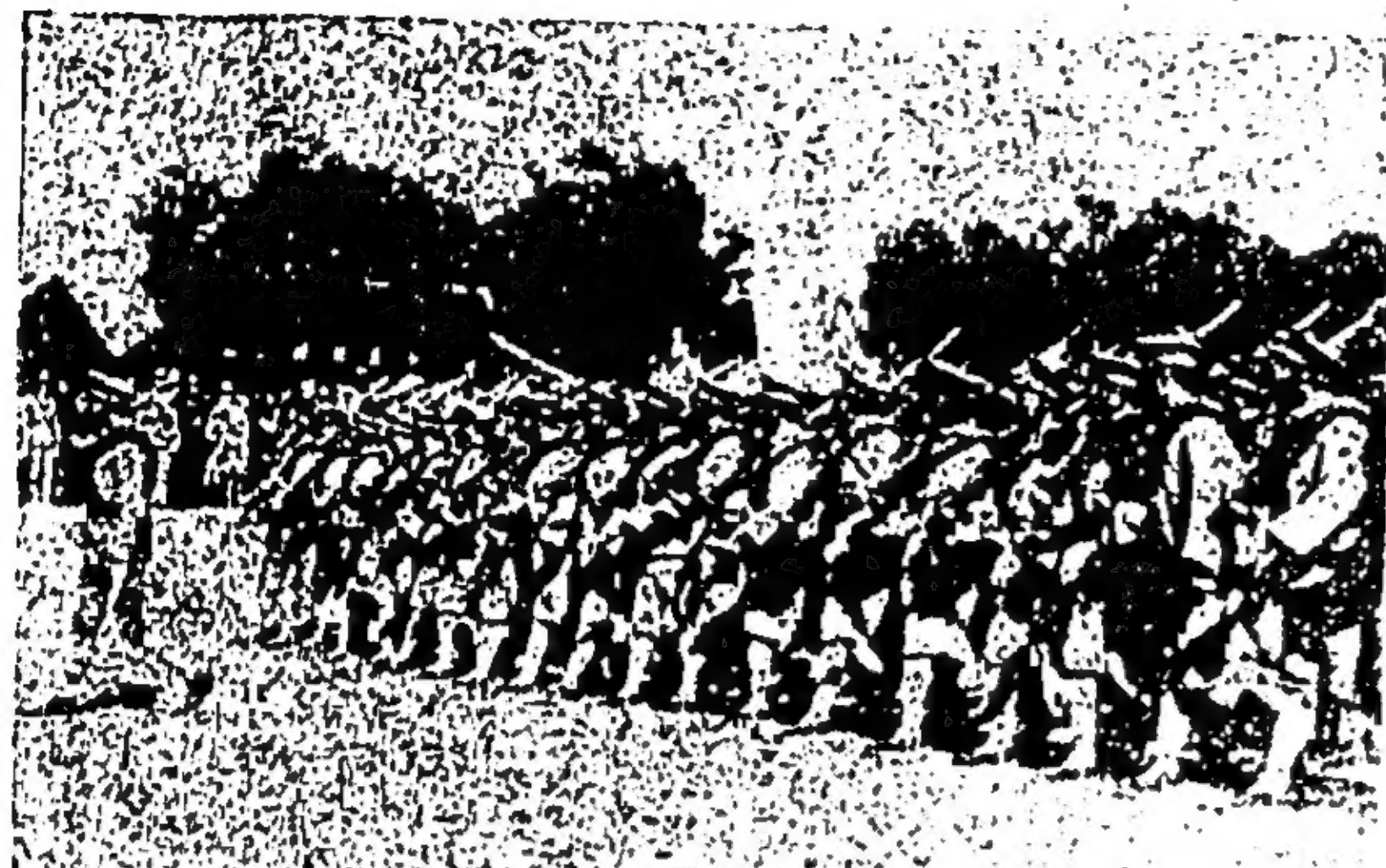
Prague, Dec. 29. After an examination of the case of M. Vaneck, recalled from Moscow at the request of the Czech Government, it is officially stated that the allegations that Vaneck was involved in a plot to cause Soviet-Japanese tension are incredible and incorrect. It is added that "the unusual and the arduous of publication" do not conform with proceedings that should be observed in such affairs.—Reuter.

FOREIGN ORDERS FOR BRITAIN.

ALCARS AND GUNS.

London, Dec. 29. The Rumanian State Railways have placed a considerable order for railcars with the British firm of Cammell Company. This is a sequel to a visit to Britain and other countries by General Joneau, the Director-General of the Railways and other Rumanian officials, who carefully inspected the different types of cars in service. The Belgian Minister for National Defence has placed an order for 1000 Mowags, the well-known British armament firm for equipment of light anti-aircraft posts.—British Wireless.

EVACUATION OF CHINCHOW.



Part of the Manchurian Army, which has been ordered by Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to withdraw within the Great Wall from Chinchow.

CHINESE RETIRING TO GREAT WALL.

CHANG HSUEH-LIANG TO GIVE "NO EXCUSE."

Peking, Dec. 30. Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang has issued orders to the commanders of his forces in Manchuria, to effect the withdrawal from Chinchow and its vicinity of the main body of the Manchurian troops. The forces will move within the Great Wall.

It is announced that the decision to take this action has been induced by a desire to prevent the Japanese military authorities from having any excuse to extend warfare into North China, particularly in the Tientsin and Peking areas, which appeared to be threatened by the large Japanese reinforcements sent to Tientsin.

The evacuation of the Manchurian troops from Chinchow has already begun, according to Chang Hsueh-liang's headquarters, and it will proceed as rapidly as possible. It is understood that the Provincial Government will remain at Chinchow for the present with a force to protect them, while the main forces withdraw.—Reuter.

CHIANG THE ALOOF.

REFUSES TO SEE A "DOG'S LIFE" AT SANDRINGHAM.

EMISSARIES.

Nanking, Dec. 30. Doubts are being expressed whether General Chiang Kai-shek will be disposed to co-operate with the leaders of the new Government.

Yesterday, General Chiang declined to receive Government representatives who went to Fenghua to interview him, whilst it is further reported that telegrams sent to him by the Nanking Government have remained unanswered. Moreover, Chiang declines to comment on the prospects of the new Government.

Feng in the Picture.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang conferred with Mr. Sun Fo, the new Chairman of the Executive Yuan, yesterday and will leave the capital this afternoon for Shanghai, where he will meet Mr. Wang Ching-wei in hospital. The Kuomintang Commander-in-Chief has also conferred with several of the Cantonese leaders since his arrival in Nanking, including General Li Chung-yuen, Li Loh-chun, Wang Shao-hung and Marshal Li Chai-sum.

Expressing confidence in the future of the Coalition Government, Marshal Feng said he believed that the harmony reached among the Nanking leaders would be permanent. Henceforth, he hoped the leaders would devote themselves to their work with unselfish sincerity.

Co-operation and Goodwill.

At the moment it seemed that all the past disagreements among

force to protect them, while the main forces withdraw.—Reuter.

Paris, Dec. 29. Simultaneously with the communication to the League of Nations Secretary of the lengthy Japanese statement (published in full in the Telegraph on Monday) indicating the intention of the Japanese command in Manchuria to advance west of the Liao River where the bandits are alleged to have their bases, the Japanese Ambassador in Paris has issued a statement.

Japanese Denials.

The Ambassador denies the reports in circulation that the Japanese military leaders are conducting a systematic advance against Chinchow, reiterating that its insistence on the Chinese troops evacuating Chinchow is due to a desire to avoid a collision with the Chinese regulars.

"The Japanese Government," the statement adds, "have acquired a conviction that the Chinese military authorities at Chinchow support the bandits, who have concentrated in considerable numbers to the west of the Liao River."—Reuter.

ROYAL MINIATURE CINEMA.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Dec. 29. The ballroom at Sandringham was converted into a miniature cinema this evening when the Majesties the King and Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York and the Duke of Gloucester saw Charlie Chaplin's "Dog's Life" and "Gold Rush."

Mr. W. H. Parkin of the Royal Air Force was fined \$5 by Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning for parking his car in Pedder Street. The defendant, in pleading guilty, said that he had just returned from the North and was not aware that the park in Pedder Street had been abolished.

The leaders had been forgotten and they were determined to approach the national issues in a spirit of co-operation and goodwill.

It is understood that Marshal Feng has telegraphed to Mr. Hu Han-min in Hongkong asking him to proceed to Nanking to assume his duties in the Central Political Council.—Reuter.

Eugene Chen Off.

Shanghai, Dec. 30. Mr. Eugene Chen left for Nanking from Shanghai at 9.30 a.m. today by train. Feng Yu-hsiang is due in Shanghai at about midnight. He will first call on Mr. Wang Ching-wei and will later leave for Fenghua to visit Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.

GANDHI CABLES VICEROY.

RUPTURE OR—WHAT?

TROOPS AGAIN IN PESHAWAR.

Bombay, Dec. 29. Gandhi is making haste slowly with plans for his future procedure.

With characteristic caution, his first important step towards activity in the political arena, is a telegram to the Viceroy (Lord Willingdon) asking whether the promulgation of the United Provinces, Frontier Province and Bengal Ordinances constitute a definite rupture between the Government and Congress.

Or, he asks, is he to seek the Viceroy's advice regarding future action.

Congress Meeting.

The telegram which requests "a reply by wire," was the outcome of a meeting of the Congress Working Committee, at which, it is learned, certain members told Gandhi that it was useless to try and patch things up.

But Gandhi, it is believed, persuaded the Committee to delay their decision on the issues involved until he has ascertained the definite views of the Government.

Peshawar Incidents.

A report from Peshawar state that although the Frontier Province generally is much quieter, ninety-two more Red-Shirts were arrested in Peshawar City today, and thirty-two Volunteers were arrested at Banna City.

The arrests in the Province now total 1,128, of which 259 have already been convicted of various charges and thirty-seven have been released after apologising.

The British military were again called up to Peshawar City today owing to the collecting of large crowds offering themselves for arrest but as soon as it was learned that the troops were on their way, the crowds dispersed.

Many chiefs are using their personal influence to suppress the undesirable activities of the Red Shirts in their areas.—Reuter.

WINTER COMES IN LONDON.

FIRST SNOW OF THE SEASON.

London, Dec. 29. London experienced its first snow of winter today, when the temperature dropped after the mild Christmas spell.

The snow was only slight in London but was heavier in the North of England and Scotland, where winter sports are proceeding at some of the holiday centres.—British Wireless.

Diphtheria Menace.

Twenty Fresh Cases.

ORIGIN CERTAIN.

Although, according to the latest figures, the diphtheria epidemic shows no signs of abatement, Dr. G. W. Pope, the Medical Officer of Health, this morning expressed a confident belief that the worst will be over by the end of the week, and that the present "fearful figures," will at least be halved.

The period of incubation for diphtheria is roughly five days, but since it was not until Tuesday that the public were able to realise the real need for preventive measures the effect of precautions now being adopted could not make itself apparent until about Saturday.

Even then, said Dr. Pope, we shall not see the end of the epidemic, for there is bound to be a number of persons carrying the germ around, and we shall have to expect further cases when the susceptibles come into contact with the carriers.

"Persistent investigations, however, have brought us into direct contact with the origin of the epidemic, and shortly we hope to be able to free the milk supply entirely from the germs."

Twenty-one New Cases.

During the 24 hours from 9 a.m. yesterday to 9 o'clock this morning, sixteen new cases were notified, while between 9 and 10.30 to-day, another five victims were reported.

This latter batch includes one naval case and one Chinese infant, found dead in the streets.

Even diphtheria is not with its humour as a reference to Page Seven will reveal.

and discovered at the mortuary to be suffering from the disease. The remaining three are British. Fifteen of the new cases are from Kildonan.

The total up to 10.30 this morning had reached the rather alarming figure of 88, sixty-two of which have been notified since December 22.

Parties Cancelled.

That the public fully realise the seriousness of the epidemic and are willing to follow medical advice, is shown by the ready manner in which a large number of public events organised for the

DAIRY FARM MILK.

Supplies Now Being Pasteurized.

The Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co. notify that from to-day all milk and cream is being pasteurized and may be consumed as delivered to customers.

This step has the full approval of the Medical Officer of Health.

New Year have been cancelled to avoid the congregating of large crowds in stuffy atmospheres. Admiral Sir Howard Kelly's "At Home," on board H.M.S. Kent, arranged for to-night, has been postponed on this account, while several New Year's Eve functions have been cancelled by various organisations and clubs, including the New Year's Eve Carnival at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

BRITISH SCHOOLS.

EXTENSION OF XMAS HOLIDAYS.

Despite the fact that the diphtheria has affected mainly adults, medical and educational authorities have decided that the five British schools in Hongkong shall be closed a further week from the date normally ter-

"LUXURY" FOOD TAXES.

Half-a-Crown a Pound on Strawberries: Epicureans to Pay.

London, Dec. 29. Britain's Epicureans must, in the future, pay heavily for so-called luxury dishes containing "early" fruit and vegetables.

An Order which will have this effect was issued to-night from the Ministry of Agriculture, of which Sir John Gilmour, pictured on right, has charge.

The Order imposes duties on a long list of fresh horticultural products which are imported into the British Isles before the British main crops are ripe.



An example of the scale of the duties is that imposed upon strawberries, namely half a crown (2s. 6d.) per pound. The duty will apply only between April 1st and May 31.

Cherries imported must pay a duty of 3d. per pound between May 1 and June 30. Asparagus is subject to a duty of a shilling a pound between January 5 and February 29.

Cauli and Other Flowers.

Cauliflowers abroad must pay a duty of four shillings per cwt. between January 5 and March 31. Cut flowers are to be subject to a duty of 2d. per pound practically the whole year round. Other duties of a similar kind are expected to be imposed shortly.—Reuter.

THE AIR WAR OF FUTURE.

DESTRUCTION IN CAPITALS.

GILBERT MURRAY ON SECURITY.

London, Dec. 27. Professor Gilbert Murray, addressing an Anglo-French Students Conference in London to-day, expressed the view that Europe could have no security without disarmament.

"We have, no doubt," he said, "moral guarantees, but no material guarantees against war from the air. You can destroy London. We can destroy Paris. But neither can defend. Even Germany with no military planes has enough commercial planes to destroy Paris with bombs."

The first step to material security is the prohibition of military aviation and the internationalisation of commercial aircraft companies.—British Wireless.

Disarmament Conference.

Washington, Dec. 29. Mr. Norman Davis, former Under-Secretary of State, and a well-known financier and economist, has been appointed a member of the United States delegation to the Disarmament Conference.

Mr. Davis was the representative of the U.S. Treasury in London and Paris in 1918, a member of the Reparations and Financial Commissions at the Peace Conference, and a member of the American delegation to the International Economic Conference at Geneva in May, 1927.—Reuter's American Service.

REPARATIONS.

U.S. WILL NOT ATTEND CONFERENCE.

Washington, Dec. 29. The United States has not been invited, even unofficially, to attend the Reparations Conference, and the United States will not attend even if invited, according to an announcement made by Mr. Ogden Mills to-day.

He said: "There will be no trip to Europe this winter." The announcement comes as a considerable surprise in view of the earlier indications of American's probable participation.—Reuter.

EXTRALITY ABOLITION.

NOW POSTPONED INDEFINITELY.

Nanking, Dec. 30. The National Government has issued a mandate stating that the date for the enforcement of the regulations promulgated on May 4th last for jurisdiction over foreign nationals by Chinese Courts has been indefinitely postponed.

The regulations were to have been enforced on January 1st, 1932.—Reuter.

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**CHEUNG CHAU
SCHOOL.**
DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES
YESTERDAY.
NEW HEADMASTER.

The annual distribution of prizes of the Cheung Chau Government School took place yesterday in the school hall. Amongst those present were Mrs. A. C. Franklin, who gave away the prizes, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector of Schools, Mr. Mackenzie, Professor L. Forster and Mr. Cheung King-pak, the new Headmaster.

The report was read by the Headmaster, Mr. Hon Kau-sung, and stated that the health of the pupils during the year had been very good; but attendance had been less satisfactory. Welcoming the gathering the Headmaster said: "To-day marks the ending of the school year of 1931, when boys have completed this year's course with greater or smaller success and also the occasion when I and Mr. Lai Shiu-tso have finished our duties as Headmaster and Vernacular teacher respectively, since January 1, 1927.

We feel it a great pleasure that so many of you have been so kind as to honour us by your presence at this function. In extending to you all a vote of hearty thanks and welcome I, on behalf of the staff and boys, wish especially to greet Mr. Cheung King-pak, our new Headmaster and my successor to the school. Mr. Cheung has spent several years in the University of Hong-kong, and I am sure our boys will be very glad to have him with you here. I express my sincerest hope that Mr. Cheung will find it very pleasant to stay here, and be very successful in his career. In such a moment as this, one's mind is generally filled with a feeling of complexity that makes it hard to say what one really wants to say, but above all, I should, before I go, seize this opportunity to thank the Head of this Department and the Inspector of Schools for their genial and sympathetic assistance and proper guidance; my faithful staff for their loyal co-operation and the Kailongs and friends for their kind support in making my five years' work here a success. We hope that Mr. Lai will enjoy the chance to Yau-mai School and be very successful in his new work.

The Prize Presentation. After Mrs. Franklin had distributed the prizes, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector of Schools, thanked Mrs. Franklin on his own behalf and on behalf of the Government for having so kindly consented to perform this function. He congratulated the school on its annual report, and was especially pleased to note that the health had been so good. That there was not one single case of malaria was a very good sign. He was also very pleased to see that the boys were taking a greater interest in games. There was only one feature in the

report that was a source of vexation and that was the attendance, which was not so good as it should have been. If pupils did not take every advantage of the school which the Government had provided they were like people who throw away treasure which could never be recovered. Mr. Brown then introduced the new Headmaster, Mr. Cheung King-pak, B.A., who assumes control on January 1 next.

The speaker concluded by expressing the hope that the school would continue to expand and flourish under Mr. Cheung. Prof. L. Forster spoke briefly, asking for the co-operation of the pupils, staff and Kailongs with Mr. Cheung King-pak, the new Headmaster. He pointed out that the school was the greatest social asset that the island possessed. The proceedings concluded with the presentation of a bouquet to Mrs. Franklin by one of the pupils who made a neat speech in English. Three cheers were called for and heartily given to Mrs. Franklin, the visitors, the retiring Headmaster, Mr. Hon. and the staff.

The Annual Report. The annual report was as follows: The maximum enrolment in the year 1930 was 59.1 against 81 and 88.95 in 1929. From this it may be seen that we have 11 boys less than last year. This decrease is chiefly due to the fact that there are no other English Schools in the island that can form our feeders for Class 7, and that we cannot admit more than 30 boys into Class 8 which consists of only one division in the year. But it is a fact that for over twenty years every year is only between ten and the population of the island is so small and most of the people are too poor to send their children to school. The average daily attendance is not so satisfactory as expected. Most boys have frequently been kept away from school for the most trivial reasons. Besides, it has been the habit of most parents to wait and send their sons to school after the Chinese New Year Holidays instead of sending them to come at the re-opening of the school on January 2. This means that the average daily attendance is very low and practically about one month's schooling has been wasted. It is a great detriment to the success of a pupil, and many evils will readily arise out of it, unless home education is brought close with that of the school. It is earnestly hoped that parents will realize this and pay more attention to the education of their children, so that they may turn out to be the best youth of the time that the world is in need of.

The Staff remains the same as last year. All Masters have rendered satisfactory service throughout the year, and I should like to thank them now for their loyal support and kind co-operation. Our fees are 50 cents for each pupil per month with the broken month of August for summer holidays. It may be admitted that the fees in such a well furnished school are the cheapest in the Colony as things are so expensive now-a-days, and the people of Cheung Chau are to be congratulated on their being so fortunate as to have ample opportunities for the education of their children. The building of the school is always clean and in good order. The classroom windows, which when opening on to the verandah at the height of masters' or boys' heads have been productive of several accidents, are now repaired. The fence round the

school which fell down some time ago through the erosion of white ants into the earth is also now under repair.

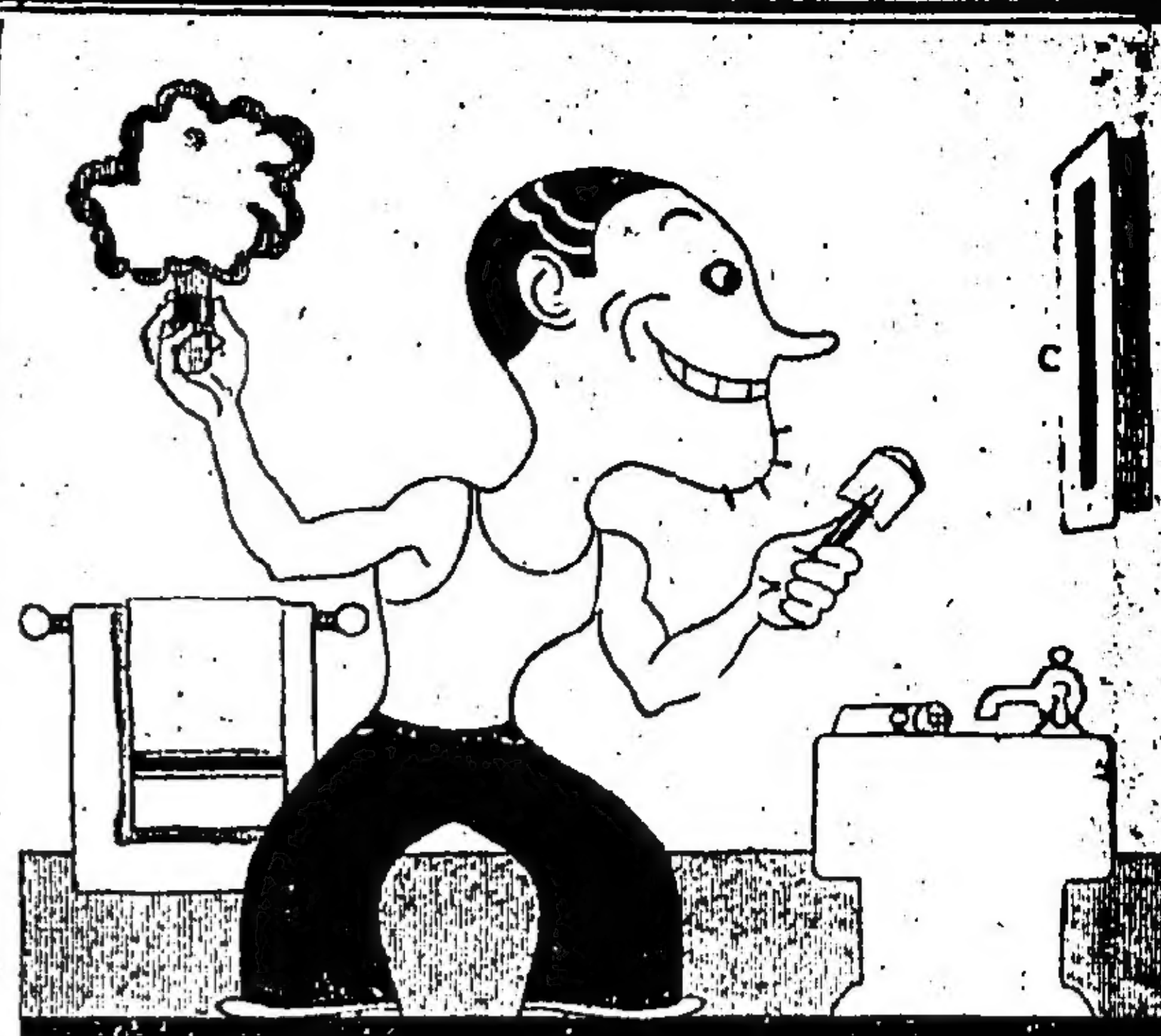
Good Discipline. The discipline of the school continues to be very good and satisfactory. The school tone is very popular among the people here. Indeed, our boys are always polite and obedient. The influences of the streets have steadily been checked and boys do not use to have a language as before.

The organization of the Classes consists of classes 5, 6, 7 and 8 with only one division in each. Owing to lack of sufficient staff and the necessities of the classes we are obliged to combine classes 5 and 6 into one under one master. In vernacular classes we have to do the same, as there is only one vernacular master in the school and there are four classes. This has proved to be unsatisfactory but under the circumstances it cannot be well avoided.

The health of the school has been very good throughout the year. There is no evidence of malaria fever and no cases of ill-health have been reported. The Medical Officers, Mr. (Mrs.) E. M. Minett and Dr. D. Laing paid a visit to the school on July 3rd on their annual inspection. They inspected all the new applicants and some of the older boys and only a few cases of defective vision were found. These were recommended to Messrs. Lazarus for eye-glasses accordingly. The Medical Officers also paid another visit to the school on November 19th to re-inspect those boys whom they found to have defective vision. They were pleased to see the school premises clean and in good condition.

Distinguished Visitors. During the year we have been visited by several distinguished guests including our Governor Sir William and Lady Peel, the District Officer South, Mr. J. S. MacLaren, Mr. A. C. Franklin and the Heads of Kailongs. They came on July 18th, when the school was closed for Summer Holidays, as they could not see the pupils. But Mr. MacLaren expressed his deep appreciation of the school being so nice looking and in good order. Mr. J. Ralston, the Inspector of English Schools, came to inspect the school on 19.11.31. He inspected the exercise books of every class, and found them very neat and tidy. He also heard the boys read and say their recitation with much satisfaction. He wrote in the school Log Book thus: "I visited the school to-day, and was very much pleased with the work I saw going on. Copy books are generally neat and tidy."

Success of Students. The year's work proves to be very successful. At the Annual Examination out of 50 boys who sat, 40 or 80 per cent passed in English, and 49 or 98 per cent passed in Chinese. Both English and Chinese are very good. Composition is better than last year. Reading and Colloquial have slightly been improved. Arithmetic and Dictation are only fair. Generally speaking boys in the village are not so intelligent as those in towns, and with such results we now have with us here, we are quite satisfied. The Students Library has been well managed by the pupils themselves, but owing to lack of funds, not very many volumes have been added. With the approval of the Inspector of English Schools, new members have to pay 50 cts. each on admission for Library fund from 1931, for the amount collected is so small that only the annual subscription for some 6 magazines is possible. We are looking forward to the generous public for their kind support. In order to improve English speaking, Mr. P. E. Barker has kindly presented the school with an old gramophone, together with 25 for repair. (Continued on Page 11.)



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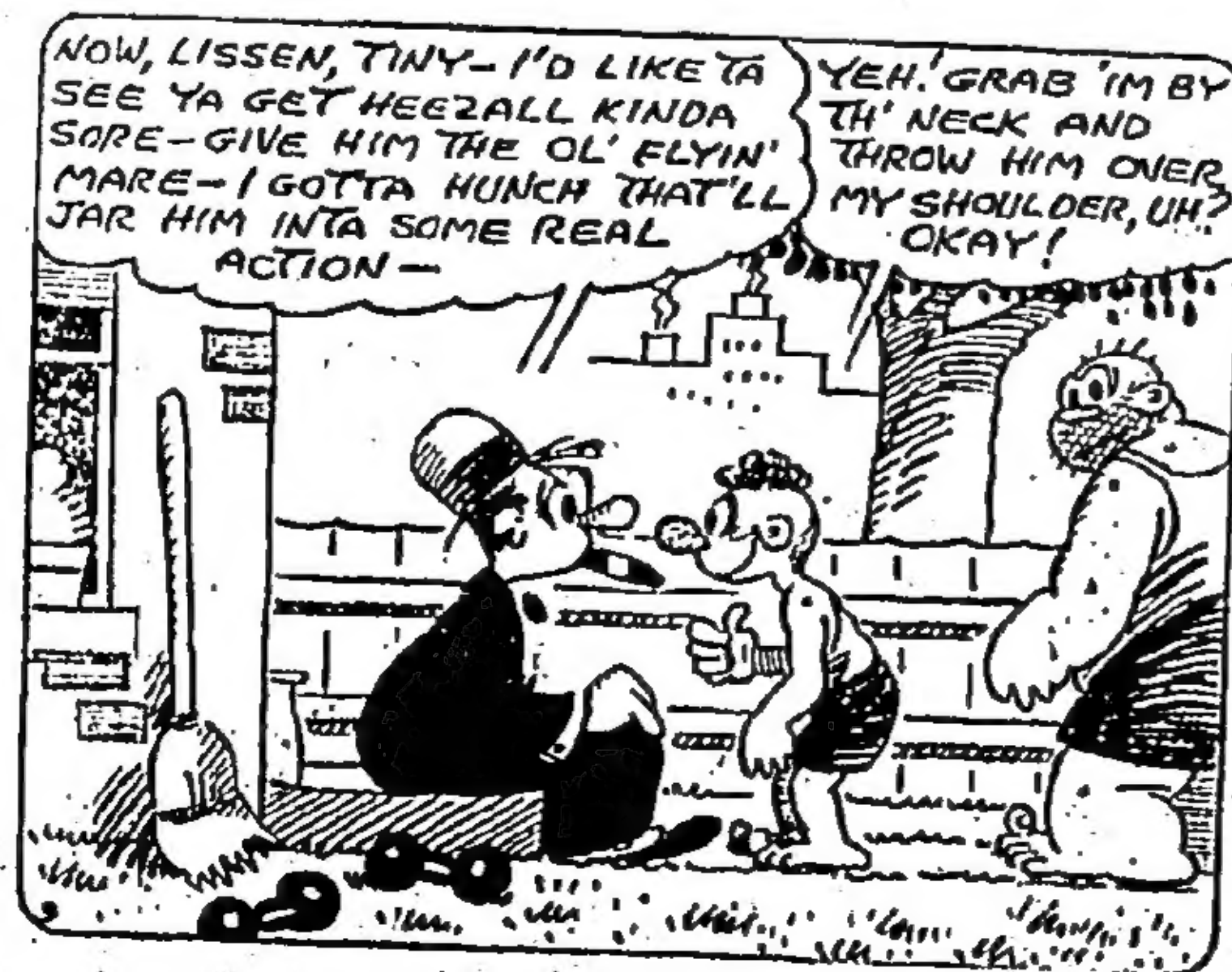
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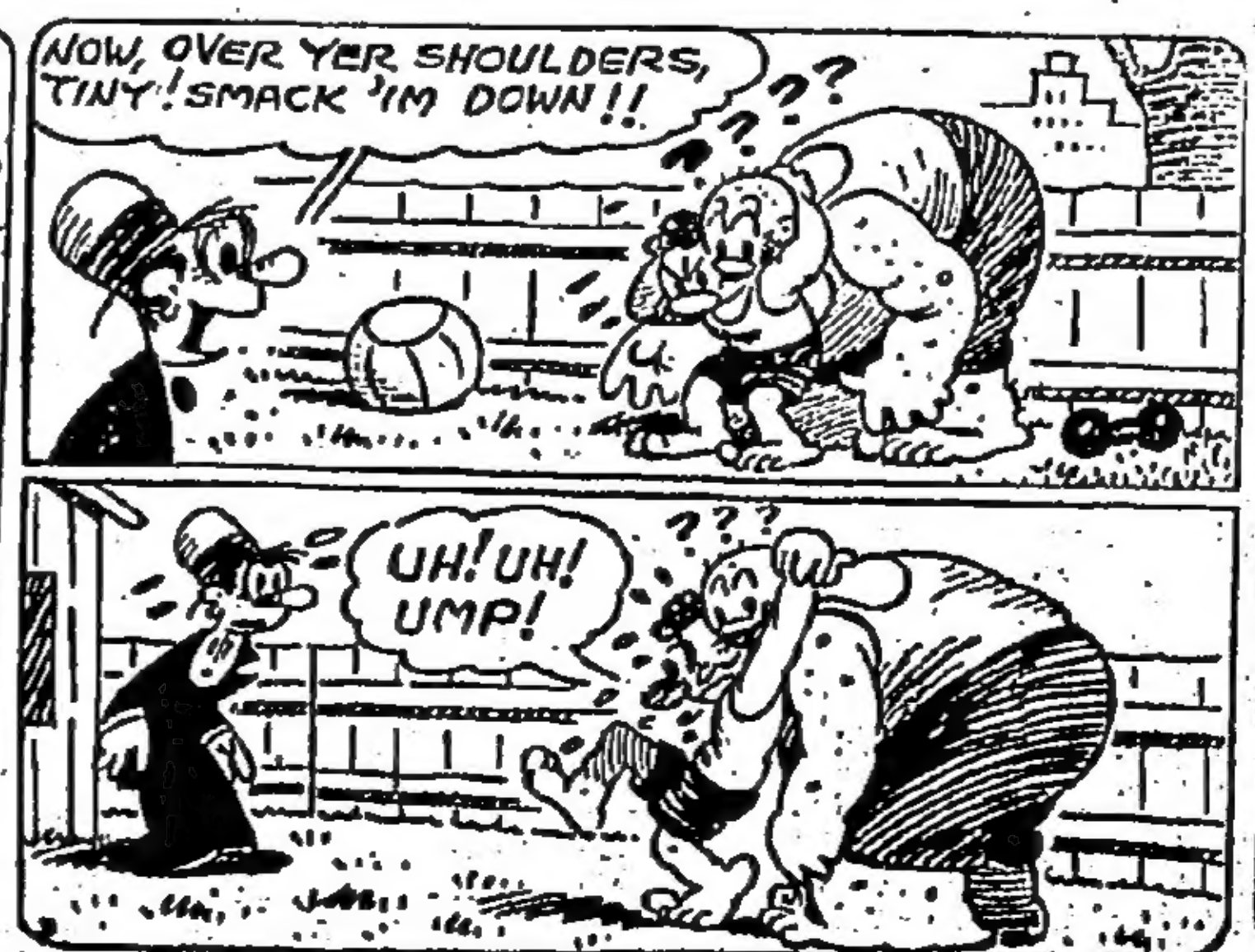
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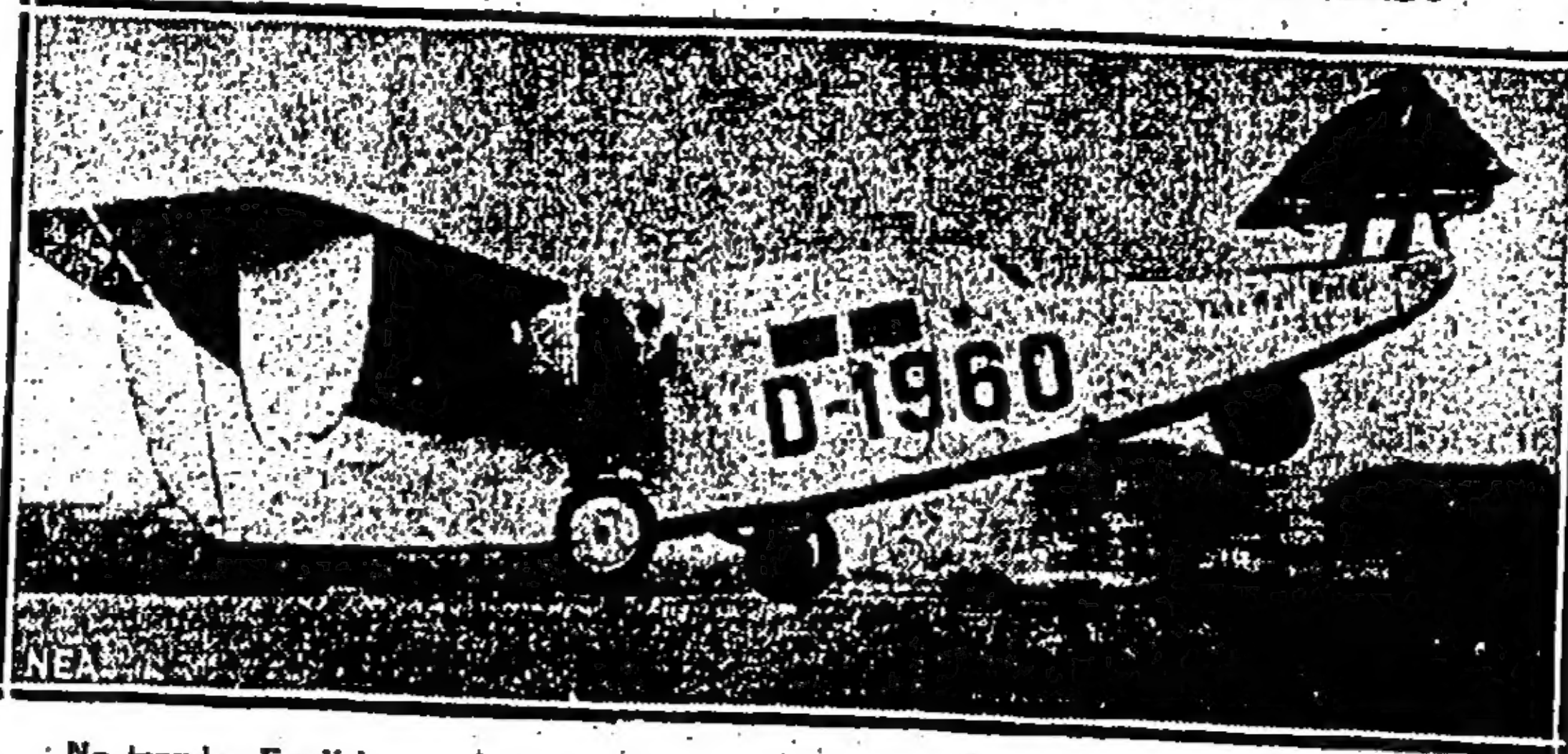
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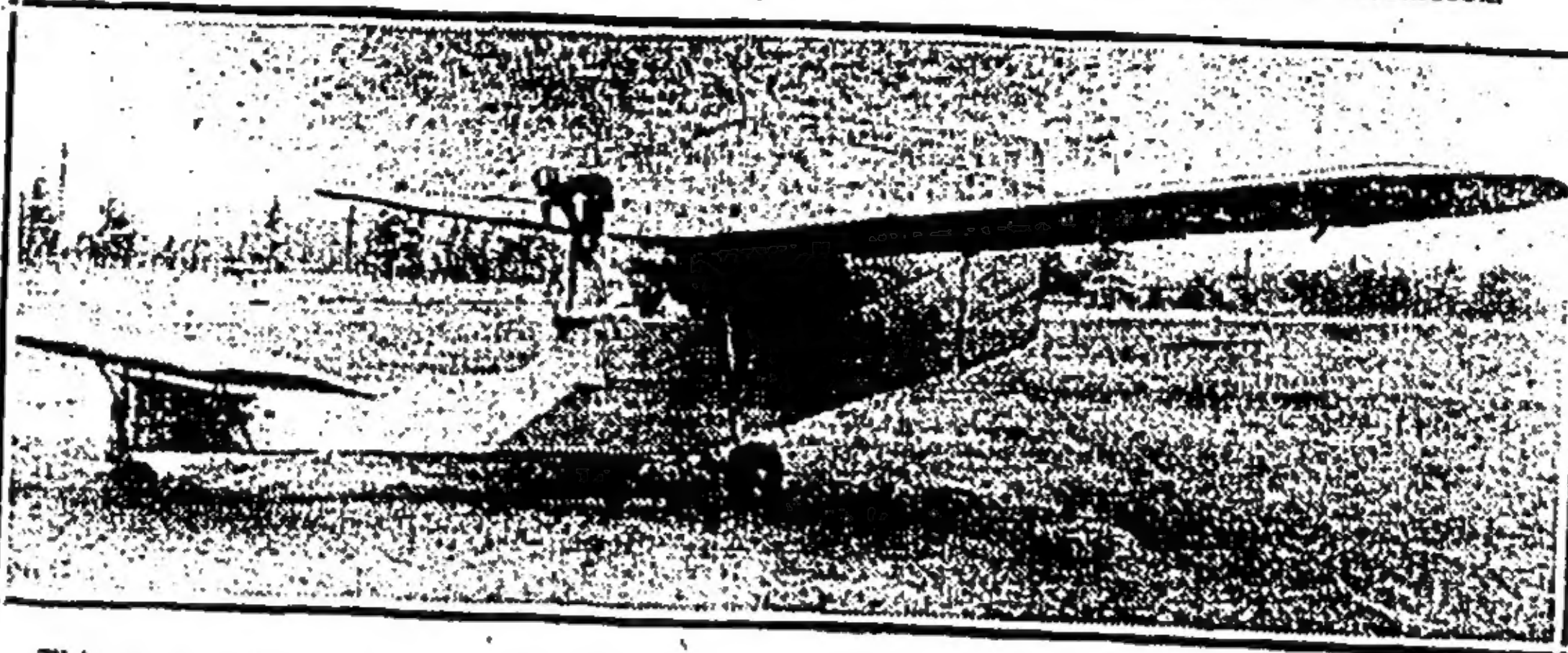
PRINCE AND PRINCE OF CLOWNS: TWO TAIL-FIRST AEROPLANES.



Charlie Chaplin, the famed film comedian is shown at dinner recently with the Prince of Wales at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. It is reported that Chaplin will star in a serious stage drama, of his own authorship, based on the theory that Napoleon escaped from St. Helena.



No wonder English crowds gaped when it is plane took off "backwards." Designed so that it will not stall nor spin while in flight, the wings of the craft are in the rear and the "tail" is in front. This is how it looked hopping off from Hanworth Airfield in Middlesex.



This strange looking craft, which also flies tail first, may be a model for planes of the future. It was built in a week by the Cranville brothers of Springfield, Mass., and made its successful sky debut in a heavy wind. The designers claim that the experimental ship is unusually steady in flight and cannot be put into a spin.



Germany's curtailed military forces have turned to work of peace. This picture shows trimly uniformed soldiers from the garrison at Munich distributing soup from field kitchens to unemployed and destitute residents of the city.

Gems of Peril

HAZEL ROSS HALEY

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Rich Mrs. Jetter is rushed and murdered during the engagement party she gives her secretary, Mary Harkness. Mary's strange grace lingers, while they have been in the house at the murder hour, and how she appeared. The thief failed to get the famous Jetter rubies.

Edith is run down and killed as he goes to meet Mary. Inspector Kane drops the case, believing Edith the murderer. Mr. Jupiter and Dirk believe the same.

Bowen of the Star discovers a railroad gambler and crick called The Big Man. Middle owed money. Bowen gives Mary a hint of the murder. It is her brother's. The butler recognizes it as having been worn by a "game-trainer" he elected that night.

Dirk forbids Mary to go on the investigation because of the notoriety. They quarrel, make up and Mary promises to marry him at once. While shopping for her trousseau, Mary's taxi crashes into a building.

CHAPTER XVII

When Mary became conscious someone was shouting, "Bring some brandy for this lady!" and moving her arms about and slapping her hands. This, she later learned, was merely an attempt to discover whether or not she had broken any bones. At the moment, however, the indignity of her position—she was lying on a couple of chairs—brought her upright and awake more quickly than the burning liquor they were forcing down her throat.

She was in a restaurant, apparently. About her hovered anxious faces—a waiter, a fat man who turned out to be the proprietor, and a nice-looking policeman who kept saying "Just a little accident, you're all right. Take it easy!"

Well, she was taking it easy, she thought fretfully. Her head ached fiercely from the jolt when the taxi crashed into the building but otherwise she was all right, and she wanted to go home.

She made this wish known to the policeman, who held her arm firmly as if he feared she might go faint and drop again.

"What happened?" she asked. "Truck going the wrong way on a one-way street," he told her. "You can't go out that way, lady." He moved between her and the door.

"Why can't I? What's out there?"

"They're cleaning up the mess. The cab's all smashed, and there's a lot of broken glass. Besides, there's probably a mob of people waiting to see the 'corpse'—Say, he broke off, 'you want to thank that driver, lady! He saved your life!'"

"Oh, I will!" Mary exclaimed. "Where is he?"

"They've taken him home. He's not bad hurt. I'll give you his name, if you want—"

"Please do. Oh, but—my packages! Where are they?" The fat proprietor indicated a pile of boxes neatly stacked on a nearby table. They were crushed a little, but not damaged. She thanked the man profusely. How careful and kind they had all been!

"I can't thank you enough!" she told him happily. "Those are my

wedding clothes!"

"Ah-ah! So!" He retreated as she tried to press a bill into his hand. "Nah, nah, give it to Tim, there—he has a big family!" The bill she pressed into the policeman's hand met no protest.

"Want to try it?" he indicated the front door. "I'll go first—"

"Oh, no! I can't there some other way—"

"The policeman called 'Hey, Jack!' and the fat man bustled up again. He looked more than a little worried, as well he might be, for the sidewalk in front of his place was a morass of splintered wood and shattered glass. The place was one of the innumerable speakeasies housed in the basements of old brownstone fronts. And the proprietor was hardly convinced yet that what had happened was a mere traffic accident. Accidents in Mr. Jack Shay's life usually had a deeper significance. Fearing gang warfare as he did, it was no wonder he appeared far more nerve-racked by the occurrence than Mary, the victim, did.

"Come this way," he invited, and Mary and the stalwart officer followed him to a door at the rear of the long room. Here the fat man knocked, entered, spoke a few words, and then held the door open to admit the others. "O. K., come on through."

The room was a small private dining-room. Half a dozen men sat about a wine-spotted tablecloth, smoking and drinking. A sudden silence, like paralysis, seized the group. As Mary and the officer appeared, one man, tall and foreign-looking—rose from his chair abruptly, then sank back again.

Mary smiled slightly and inclined her head in perfunctory recognition of what she took to be an act of politeness.

They passed through the room, out another door into a black hole of a hallway, and entered the back door of a drugstore opening on a side street. Here the officer deposited her packages into a taxi, and helped her in.

"I'll give you that driver's name," he said, taking out a pad and pencil.

"Do. And the other man's name, and the address of his restaurant," she added. "Perhaps I can take a party there for dinner sometime and pay him back that way."

"Don't worry about Jack," the policeman replied. "He don't want anything you could give him—unless it's a bullet-proof vest."

"Oh! Why?"

"The policeman had finished writing, and tore off the sheet and handed it to Mary without reply.

"I'll have to take your name and address as a witness," he said.



Don Moyle, the aviator who flew from Japan to the United States, is shown above studying maps in his cell at Los Angeles county jail when serving a 30-day sentence on a traffic charge. Moyle is making plans for another flight.



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"You think I should, Della?" "Indeed, you should!" And that was that.

She had just taken a quick shower and given her hair a stiff brushing that made her whole body feel tingly and rosy, and slipped the black dress over newly bought underthings of incredible softness, when the maid came in, quite breathless with chagrin.

"Oh, Miss Harkness, I didn't hear you come in! A Mr. Bowen has been calling you repeatedly. He has some important information for you. He gave me his number and said he'd wait in until you called."

Mary took the card she proffered and went thoughtfully to the telephone.

Bowen's voice sounded very clipped and business-like over the wire—there was no sign of the wine-crazed companion of yesterday's meeting. His serious tone impressed her as much as his words.

"Miss Harkness, the man we were speaking of is in New York. Not hiding, exactly, but—in retirement, and seems to have a good deal on his mind."

"Yes?"

"The talk is that he did both jobs. And underworld talk is usually pretty accurate. At least, I think this is. We can safely assume he is the man we are after. You understand, don't you? Rotten trying to talk over the telephone—"

"What—what shall we do?" Mary asked. She sat down suddenly, surprised to find herself shaking with excitement.

"What can we do, you mean," he corrected her. "God, I don't know. Several things. I don't want to mull this. Neither do you, I take it. Ordinarily I'd say take him in on the evidence we've got, and trust Kane to third-degree a confession out of him. But I'm afraid—Tell you frankly, this bird has a rep for being slicker than an eel. He's been in a good many tight scrapes and wigged out, legally. He's got a record, but that was years ago. They haven't pinned anything on him lately."

"I don't know, but it seems to me

we ought to tie him up so tight he can't get away before we try to make a pinch. That's what I want to talk to you about. I've got a swell idea—look, is there somewhere I can see you?"

"Why, I— How could she see him to-night? Yet it might be her only opportunity. To-morrow she would be married and gone."

"I'm just trying to think—I have an engagement to-night, but it may be quite late."

"I've got a night assignment, or I'd come there. But I'd like to see you—something I want to talk over with you. Could you come in and have dinner with me some place?"

Mary thought rapidly. If Dirk was still at the office she could go in and meet Bowen and Dirk could call for her and bring her home. She would really see him much sooner that way. And so it was arranged.

"Then come to this address"—she wrote down the number he gave her. "I'll be there when you come."

Dirk had gone out to dinner, the bookkeeper said when she called his office, but would be back. Mary gave him the address of the restaurant.

Mr. Jupiter had not come in—Spence reported his master had stayed at the Yacht Club for dinner with some of his old cronies. He had Tom, but in deference to her new clothes she called one of the other chauffeurs and drove into town in state. She had lost faith in taxis.

Bowen stepped out of the shadow of a flight of stone steps to greet her. It was not until they had entered the place that Mary recognized it.

"Why, this is where I was this afternoon!" she exclaimed as they threaded their way between tables to one in the angle of the wall. Half a dozen persons, all men, were scattered about the room, eating, drinking.

Mary was about to relate the story of the taxi accident, when she caught sight of an unforgettably ugly face reflected in a sideboard

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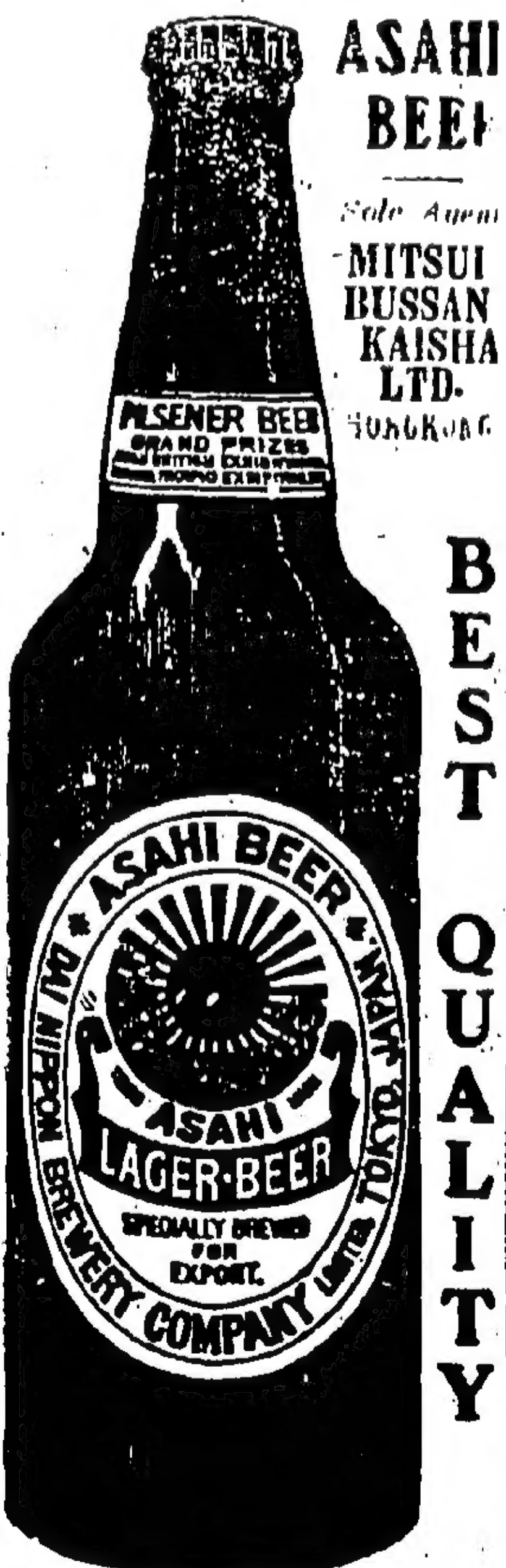
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Hongkong, 28th December, 1931.

NOTICE.

The Commander-in-Chief very much regrets that owing to the Diphtheria Epidemic, his At Home on board H.M.S. "Kent" this evening is postponed.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON FRIDAY, the 1st January, 1932, and SATURDAY, 2nd January, 1932, The Company Offices and All Departments will be CLOSED.

On these days

The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1931.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 31st day of December, 1931, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 30th September, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 28th December, 1931, to Thursday, 31st December, 1931, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1931.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4264 for ONE HUNDRED (100) SHARES numbered 6690/6789, 7869/7898 and 99190/99214, in the above Company and standing in the name of FRANCISCO XAVIER SOARES having been reported lost, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE is produced within ONE MONTH from the date hereof, it will thereafter be held by the Company as NULL AND VOID, and a NEW CERTIFICATE for the said shares will be issued.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1931.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in them by Ordinary Resolution of the Company passed by Shareholders at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 1st December, 1931, the Directors of the Company have decided to offer to Shareholders Additional Shares in the proportion of one Additional Share of the nominal value of \$5 for every five Shares of which they are the registered holders on 9th January, 1932.

Such Additional Shares will be issued at par. The full nominal amount of \$5 per share will be payable on acceptance of the offer on or before 1st February, 1932, in the case of shareholders whose Registered Address is in the Colony of Hongkong. In the case of shareholders whose registered address is outside the Colony of Hong Kong, the date for payment will be 1st April, 1932.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 2nd January, 1932, to 9th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1931.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days.

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Lot 1	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 2	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 3	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 4	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 5	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 6	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 7	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 8	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 9	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000
Lot 10	1000	1.000	148,400	1,484,000	1.000

PEAK CLUB.

The Committee regret to announce that, under medical advice, they have decided to cancel the New Year Ball arranged for Thursday, 31st December, at the Peak Club.

NOTICE.

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These Greyhounds will be sold to members at \$300 each and are eligible for racing at the Club's "Green Island" Track, Macau.

Members wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

Names will be booked in the order as received.

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DIPHTHERIA MENACE.

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minating the Christmas holidays, for "health reasons."

Instead of re-opening on Monday, January 4, they will be closed until the following Monday.

Dr. D. J. Valentine, Deputy Director of Medical Services, seen this morning, endorsed the view of the M. O. H. that the outbreak would be well in hand and on the wane by the end of the week.

Only in a few cases were the victims considered to be seriously affected, and in practically all instances the patients had responded to straightforward treatment.

Further Cancellations.

The social and the watchnight service arranged for Thursday evening at the Union Church have been cancelled, as also has the watchnight service which was to have been held at the Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home for 11.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Another cancellation is the New Year's Rally which was to have been held at the Theatre Royal on Sunday, January 3rd. The Committee of the City Hall has been able, only this week, to intimate that owing to the necessity for extensive repairs to the City Hall, the Rally cannot be held in the Theatre. Arrangements are further complicated by the prevailing epidemic, and in view of the published advice to avoid crowds in confined spaces, the Committee responsible for the Rally has decided not to proceed with securing alternative accommodation. It is greatly regretted that the Rally has consequently to be cancelled. The order of Service planned for the Rally will be broadcast in a modified form on Sunday evening, singing conducted by Mr. F. Mason, and an address on "Life's Purpose" by the Bishop of Victoria.

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GREAT WESTERN RAILWAYS' SCHEMES.

London, Dec. 29. Increased employment will be offered by the expenditure of nearly £1,000,000 by the Great Western Railway in the new year on additional rolling stock.

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THE GOLD STANDARD.

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New York, Dec. 29. Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru will maintain the gold standard, as a result of a conference of the five South American control banks at Lima, declared Professor E.W. Kemmerer, the American financial expert, who has returned from South America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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Other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Hyge Maru December 30.
Calcutta and Straits	Taina December 30.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Zuiderkerk December 31.
(London 10th December)	Shantung December 31.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sui Sang December 31.
Calcutta and Straits	

From	Due
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers)	Chitral January 1.
London, 3rd December and Parcels	Rawalpindi January 1.
26th November	
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Taft January 1.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 12th December)	Nellor January 2.
Australia and Manila	Tatuta Maru January 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Hoover January 2.
Manila	Brishane Maru January 4.
Japan	Sphinx January 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux January 6.
Singapore	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 11th December)	Pres. Pierce January 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 18th December)	Empress of Asia January 11.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 18th December)	Pres. Jackson January 11.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Date and Time
Amoy	Taiyuan, Wed., Dec. 30, 3.30 p.m.
Pouchou	Kuichow, Wed., Dec. 30, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming, Wed., Dec. 30, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Clara Jevon Thurs., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Dairen	Tanaka Maru, Wed., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Prominent, Wed., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru Thurs., Dec. 31, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Lyedman Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Rantan Pandjang, Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heuts Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton Thurs., Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Titan, Thurs., Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
	Registration, Thurs., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Letters, Thurs., Dec. 31, 6 p.m.

For	Date and Time
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and "Europe via Vancouver B.C. and "Europe via Siberia"	Empress of Japan, Fri., Jan. 1, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 1, 1.10 a.m.
	Reg., Jan. 1, 1.15 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 1, Noon.
	(Due Vancouver B.C., 17th Jan.)
Swatow and Bangkok	Mainan, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Klungchow, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Amoy	Suinan, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nankin, Sat., Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Brisbane, 10th January.)
Sandakan	Yusang, Sat., Jan. 2, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi, Sat., Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	K.P.O., Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	G.P.O., Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 29th January.)
Manila	Pres. Taft, Sat., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Anshun, Sun., Jan. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Chanton Maru, Sun., Jan. 3, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea, Mon., Jan. 4, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Halyang, Tues., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and "Europe via Marseilles"	Sphinx, Tues., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	K.P.O., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	G.P.O., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 4th February)

For	Date and Time
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and "Europe via San Francisco and "Europe via Siberia"	President Hoover, Tues., Jan. 5, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 5, 1.10 a.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 1.15 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 1.15 a.m.
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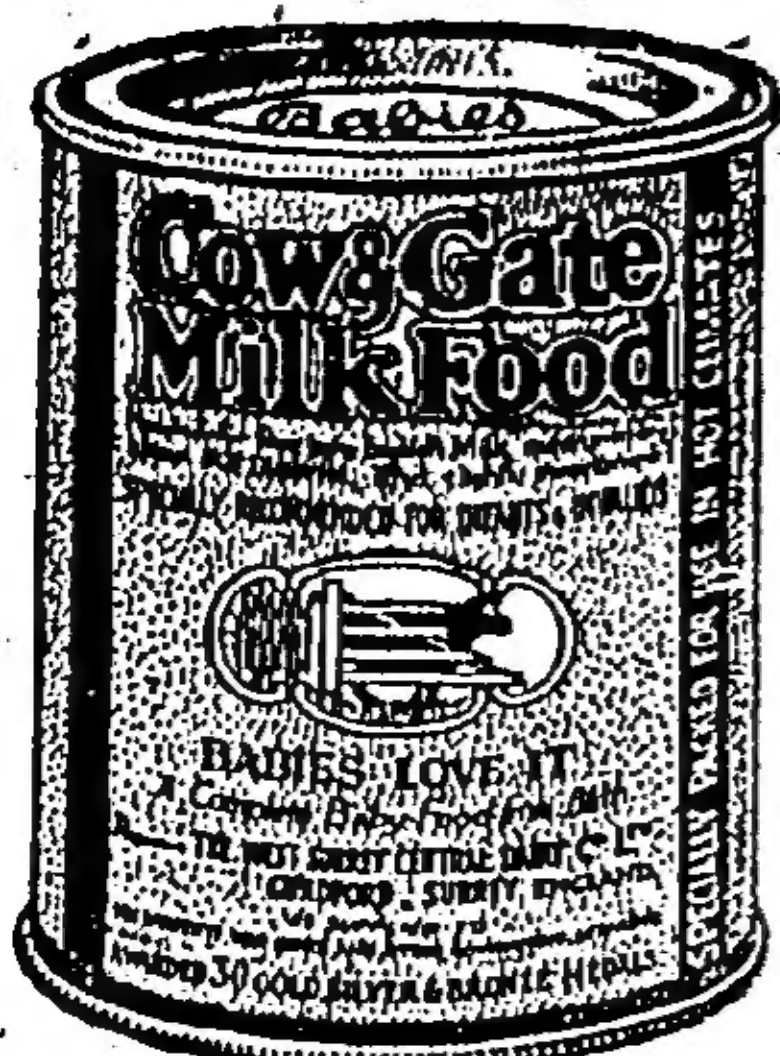
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1931.

A MISCHIEF-MAKER.

Gandhi's first public utterance since his return to India does not inspire the hope that he will endeavour to keep the forces of disorder in check and work wholeheartedly in favour of a final settlement of the Indian problem. Indeed, the underlying sentiment of his speech would appear to indicate anything but pacific intentions. It was hoped that Gandhi's appearance at the Round Table Conference in London would pave the way to a real understanding, but it is now history that, whilst there, the Congress leader did not show himself in any way disposed to adopt a helpful attitude. He contributed nothing constructive to the discussions, preferring to remain largely aloof and, when he did speak, investing his remarks with a good deal of sarcasm and cynicism. Yet now and again he made what now looks like a pretence to sincerity, though at no stage committing himself in any way.

In the course of his visit to the Continent, Gandhi was credited with the remark, whilst in Rome, that "to-day the whole Indian nation is called to a work of destruction—boycotting," adding that "I return to India to continue the struggle against England." It is true that this alleged interview was subsequently denied in a statement in which he declared that he would take no precipitous action, but would make ample previous entreaties should direct action become necessary. His obsession on the possibility of conflict is still apparent, witness his latest declaration that if a fight becomes inevitable, he invites his followers to be ready for it, as well as his reference to the contingency of "a fiery ordeal." This is not all, however, for he goes on to talk of the next fight, in which Indians will have to face bullets instead of lathis. Utterances such as these

surely are not what one should expect from a leader who never tires of telling the world that he disfavours anything in the nature of violence. The only outcome to expect from such loose talk is the working up of anti-British feeling, and doubtless when this is accomplished and retaliation becomes inevitable, Gandhi and his followers will calmly proceed to lay the blame at Britain's door. Once again, in his latest speech, Gandhi wants the other side to give way before he even thinks of co-operating. What he desires is the repealing of recent ordinances which have been put into effect in order to suppress illegal Congress activities, such as the no-rent campaign. Reports from various centres in India show that, at the direct instigation of Congress, there has been wholesale defiance of the laws. So Gandhi's plan is really one which seeks to take away all power from constituted authority; in short, he is the apostle of anarchy.

In the circumstances, we can well understand and appreciate the chargin expressed by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald. It is true beyond the least shadow of doubt that Britain has evinced an overwhelming desire to do the right thing by India. As the Prime Minister so well puts it, the Government's one aim is to broaden Indian freedom. Equally true is his assertion that the unhappy incidents now occurring do not represent a baffled and oppressed India struggling to be free, but a mischievous movement trampling upon India's progress. This succinct summary of the situation deserves, as it will receive, world-wide prominence. The pity of it all is that those who should be joining hands in the task of conferring untold benefits to the Indian people are the very ones who are undermining the whole movement and leading the country towards disaster. Gandhi, by his latest utterances, ranges himself with the forces of disorder and destruction.

The Cotton Surplus.

The wretched state into which the world economic system has worked itself is strikingly illustrated by the figures from the American cotton belt, where abundance of crop is accepted as a grave cause for alarm! The prospective new supply is on a bumper scale worse than the worst feared. Various proposals have been advanced in recent weeks for handling the embarrassing surplus, but the calculations have all been based on a probable surplus of 7,000,000 bales. The plan provided for holding off 7,000,000 bales from the market until July 31, 1933, and restricting next year's production so that the hold-over cotton would then be needed. It was actually arranged for the southern banking groups to finance 3,500,000 bales, for the American Cotton Corporation to hold 2,000,000 bales and for the Cotton Stabilization Corporation to hold a further 13,000,000 bales. The right to sell was granted in the event of the price rising above a certain level. It is apparent, however, that no holding movement can be effective if the surplus is to be 13,000,000 bales instead of seven. The scheme derived its hope for success from legislative restrictions on cotton planting adopted by the governments of Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana. The object of these emergency laws was to reduce production next year by twenty-five per cent. But it follows from the figures produced by the Empire Cotton Growing Review that the surplus of raw cotton at July 31, 1932, will be more than sufficient, on the present basis of consumption, to meet the demand for the whole year. The cotton holding and production control plan must, therefore, fall to the ground, unless the farmers are prepared to abandon their cotton acreage entirely for twelve months. Even this would not avert disaster. It would appear in a different direction. The Southern farmer would be forced to grow his own foods, now purchased from the Middle West. The Middle West farmer is already in serious difficulties from alleged over-produc-

DAY BY DAY

MEN MUST BE MADE MORE FRU-
DENT AND SELF-RELIANT, OR ALL THE
SCHEMES OF REFORMERS WILL BE A
MEAN WEAVING OF ROSES OF SAND.
—Henry Fawcett.

The P. and O. s.s. Rawalpindi,
from Shanghai, is due here on Friday
at 7 a.m.

The health return for last week,
apart from the diphtheria epidemic,
shows two fatal cases of typhoid and
44 deaths from pulmonary tuber-
culosis.

During the New Year Holidays the
Exchange Banks will be closed to the
transaction of public business on
Friday, January 1, and Saturday,
January 2.

We have received from Mr. and Mrs.
A. P. Pereira a sum of \$10 for Earl
Haig's Fund for Disabled Service
Men, which we have passed on to the
local Secretary.

The management of the Republic
Bay Hotel asks us to state that there
will be no dinner dance to-night,
owing to preparations for the New
Year's Eve dance.

Struck by a public car in Nathan
Road, near the junction of Jordan
Road, a 14-year-old Chinese lad was
injured yesterday, and taken to the
Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

The "Glen" Line Ltd. have reduced
their passage rates from Hongkong
to London as from June 1, 1932, as
follows:—June 1 to November 30, 1932,
£60; December 1 to May 31, 1933, £75.
The existing rates for the same
periods in the past have been £65.12.0
and £82. respectively.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern
Ports for the week ending the 19th
inst., shows the following cases of
infectious diseases and deaths there-
from: Plague, Baghdad 1 case.
Cholera, Calcutta 11 cases 6 deaths,
Saigon 1 case. Small-pox, Baghdad
3 cases 1 death, Bombay 2 cases 1
death, Karachi 2 cases, Madras 1 case,
Rangoon 4 cases 1 death, Pondicherry
2 cases 2 deaths, Batavia 1 case.
Saigon 13 cases 9 deaths, Amoy 60
cases 22 deaths, Canton 6 cases,
Shanghai 16 cases 8 deaths.

A fishmonger at the Western Market
was attacked by roughs last evening
in Hollywood Road while returning
home with the day's takings. Re-
ceiving a blow from an iron bar, which
almost paralysed his arm, he was
compelled to surrender a cash-box to
one of three men who surrounded him
near the Man Mo Temple. In the
subsequent hue-and-cry, the man who
used the iron bar was intercepted by
a watchman, and the cash-box, con-
taining \$43.17, was recovered, having
been discarded by the thief when he
realised that capture was inevitable.

On their discharge from prison,
where they had served a month for
stowing away on a steamer from
Japan, three Japanese, namely,
Hiyashi Shinzo, Nakakawa Masa, and
Nishimura Mitsuo, were brought be-
fore Mr. Williams at the Central
Police Court this morning, and
charged with vagrancy. Detective
Sergt. Mottram stated that the
Japanese Consul would be arranging
for their repatriation within a week's
or ten days time. In the meantime,
he suggested a sojourn at the House
of Detention as being the most con-
venient arrangement. The men were
accordingly committed to the House.

How it will all end time
alone will show. But it is not at
all certain that events will not
compel even Hongkong residents
to take more than a casual in-
terest.



"Hello boys: Just a line to let you know we made 450 miles
the first day—having a great time."

BUSINESS OR A PROFESSION?

A Problem for Parents: by a SCHOOLMASTER.

SIGNS are not wanting of the
increasing gravity of the
world crisis in trade and com-
merce. Business is bad. We
must make our sons professional
men or they perish. So say many
of us. Nevertheless it is a poor
slogan that brings no harvest to
some beachcomber, and there are
businesses which will weather the
crisis with a great measure of
success.

By this I do not mean that we
should make our sons benchmen-
bers—heaven forbid!—but that
we should consider the industries
likely to survive when the crash
comes, and put our sons into
those. Foresight and a knowledge
of economics are required, but the
patient parent will try to acquire
these, and, having examined the
chances of his son's success, will
probably declare for business.

To begin with, success in the
commercial sphere is not a matter
of competitive examinations in
academic subjects, whereas in the
professions, success is largely
dependent upon placing in "exam"
results lists.

A boy who enters a University
finds himself in competition with
minds as acute and often more
brilliant than his own. They are
all selected by an entrance exam-
ination of wide scope. Men send
their clever sons to the University
and their less clever ones into
industry. The result is that the
clever lad whose father either has
foresight or lacks cash makes his
way in business immediately,
having less intelligent competitors
than the clever boy who goes to a
University.

"Respectability." We all remember the character,
poor Dobbin, in "Vanity Fair,"
who was mocked at because his
father was a grocer. The boys in
Dr. Swisshill's school despised
men who made their money in
business, and the same spirit,
greatly attenuated, it is true,
prevails to-day. We would all
prefer to be able to say that our
sons were doctors, clergymen, or
lawyers rather than that they were
managers of a chain of multiple
groceries or ran a successful
hotel.

This is not because we revere
learning more than money, but
because we still doubt the "re-
spectability" of trade. Yet, if we
examine the endowments of our
colleges, we shall find that they
are nearly all dependent upon
business men for their financial
stability. Andrew Carnegie and
John D. Rockefeller, to take but
two outstanding examples, have
done more for education than the
educationalists themselves. In this
country, it must be acknowledged,
we are too conservative, and
Victorian still in our ideas of
what constitutes a respectable
occupation.

The Swiss have no such conven-
tional outlook. They have estab-
lished colleges for the higher
education of hotel keepers, mana-
gers, and chefs. These young
men become economists. They
are trained for occupations which
are as highly regarded as our
professions. It is a mystery why
a professor of political economy
should be esteemed above a suc-
cessful hotel-keeper who is a
professor in his own way of
domestic economy.

Out-of-Date Prejudices.
We are all at the mercy of a
tradition, that the "lad o' pairs"

must have an academic education,
and to that end the secondary
schools are made subservient to
him. They are the trains by
which he reaches his destinations,
and these destinations are, unfor-
tunately, becoming fewer and
growing less alluring. Of what
avail is it that we have saved and
struggled, as one minor's wife
put it, "to give the liddle the
letters after his name," when his
brother, too dull to aspire to cap
and gown, has risen to be manager
at the pit or at the mill as a result
of a few years' classes at the even-
ing technical school.

In the professions a man is
invariably too young at thirty for
responsible posts, but in business
"too old at forty" is an outworn
superstition. In business, too, he
has a greater chance of attaining
affluence earlier than his profes-
sional brother.

The balance seems weighted in
favour of a business career for the
bright boy, and if we could only
rid ourselves of our anachronistic
prejudices as to respectability we
would come to regard business as
honourable and as worthy an
occupation as that of priest or
pedagogue, jurist or physician.

MARRIAGE—THEN
GOODBYE.

The Fate of Bachelor Friendships

WHY do so many men drop the
friends of their bachelor
days when they marry?

One of my oldest friends has
just told me of his engagement,
and when I congratulated him I
mentally bade him goodbye, for
I know that after a few attempts
to keep up our old intimate com-
radeship he and I will gradually
drift apart.

At first I and some other pre-
marriage friends shall probably
be invited to his new home oc-
casionally, and we shall entertain
the newly-wed couple in return;
but all too soon it will come to
an end; he will form friendships
with his wife's intimates, but his
old companions will become ac-
quaintances, or at the best, mere
ghosts of friends.

Do women treat their old friends
in this manner? I think it will
be noticed that most wives keep
their girlhood friendships alive,
while husbands allow theirs to die
out.

There was my friend George, for
instance, one of the most popular
men in my circle; since his mar-
riage we hardly ever see him, and
now I do not even know where
he lives. When his wife presented
him with a son I sent a mug and
his wife flowers. George asked
me to a christening, which I did
not attend, and that was the last
of him. That was three years ago.

To-day, when Frank told me he
was going to marry I said I hoped
he would not disappear like
George. Frank was indignant,
never would he drop his old
friends. George was henpecked.
He knew that for a fact, but there
would be no fade-out of old friends
with him. He was teaching
Elizabeth bridge, and we were
going to have some happy times
together when he got settled down.

It was the same old good inten-
tions, and sounded all very nice,
but I fear that Elizabeth will
somehow lose all interest in
bridge after she marries, and
Frank will find new amusements
provided for him by his wife,
which will not allow him to see
very much of his old friends.

It seems such a pity, this
breaking up of bachelor friend-
ships, yet it is not always the wife
who is to blame. Some of them at
first made worthy attempts to keep
the flame of friendship alive with
their husbands' old cronies but
more often it is allowed to flicker
out.

Is it because a woman does not
like anyone to know her husband
better than she knows him? A
younger wife who has met her hus-
band but a short time before mar-
riage does not know him like a
friend of his schooldays and
youth, and perhaps she experiences
a feeling something akin to jealous
resentment of those who have
known him before his benedict
days.

Still, I do know of one exception.
My friend Hugh married and
kept his friends. When he asked
me over for an evening I am
always assured of a welcome from
his wife, and a pleasant meeting
with other members of the gang.
But Hugh has a clever wife, and
I expect she knows Hugh and as
better than we know ourselves.

I am going there to-night with
Laurence, who is to call for me
with his car. Good old Laurence!
I know he will never forget his
friends. But stay! Laurence has
just come in, and is babbling about
having been up in an aeroplane
with a girl this afternoon. I
wonder!

TUBERCULOSIS
SCOURGE.HIS EXCELLENCY ON
BIG PROBLEM.

NEW WARDS OPEN.

Many prominent Chinese and foreign residents were present at the Kwong Wah Hospital, Yaumati, this morning, when His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, opened the new tuberculosis wards.

In thanking Sir William and Lady Peel for their presence, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Chairman of the Hospital committee, detailed the history of the hospital and outlined what had led up to the construction of the tubercular wards. There was accommodation for 35 patients in them, he said.

Governor's Speech.

H. E. the Governor said:— It gives me very great pleasure to open to-day these new tuberculosis wards of the Kwong Wah Hospital. In the early years of this century the population of Kowloon had grown very considerably. The patients in need of hospital treatment still had to be taken across the harbour, and sent to the G.L.H. or the Tung Wah Hospital. The disadvantages of this are obvious. In 1906 the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital undertook to raise by voluntary subscriptions a fund for the provision of a new hospital in Kowloon to be organised on the same lines as the Tung Wah Hospital. Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan has given us a lucid history of the establishment of this institution and of its subsequent development.

Record Progress.

It shows a wonderful record of progress, reflecting the greatest credit on the various committees who have had the management of this hospital. In erecting these wards which it is my privilege to open to-day, the committee has shown a wise appreciation of the needs of the Colony. I am glad that Mr. Ngan, who four years ago was so anxious for such wards to be built, has now the pleasure of seeing them completed during his term of office as chairman.

The scourge of tuberculosis in Hongkong requires no stressing from me. It is truly terrible, and any effort to deal with it deserves the greatest commendation. There are advocates of sanatoria for such patients, but my experience, and that of most others who have lived long in the East, shows that patients are very reluctant to come to such sanatoria until the disease has gone so far that cure is impossible. While therefore it may be true that treatment in a wider and more open space may have greater advantage, it is essential that some accommodation for patients should be found near enough to their homes to attract them to seek it. I am convinced, as I have said before, that the only way to deal with this disease is by a reconstruction of the town, and increased efforts to make people live according to more sanitary principles.

Herculean Task.

This is a herculean task, however, and will take time, and meanwhile we must do what we can in the way of affording proper treatment. I congratulate the Directors on this latest development but I would stress the necessity of inculcating some better principles among the people, with a view to prevent of disease. The habit of spitting, for instance, is a most serious contributory cause, and I am glad that recent steps have been taken to tackle this habit. Propaganda should also be undertaken with a view to stressing the necessity for open spaces and ventilation in houses and tenements.

The Tung Wah, Tung Wah East and Kwong Wah Hospitals occupy a unique position in this Colony, and the post of chairman of the committee is regarded, rightly, as a very great honour indeed. The aims of the hospitals have been to give facilities to the Chinese community for western treatment, while still providing Chinese methods for those who prefer it. This is an admirable and broad view and the result has been to reconcile many of the Chinese to the more advanced western methods.

The house surgeons of the hospitals have been trained in western medicine, and I take this opportunity of congratulating Dr. Phoon, one of the house surgeons, on his having recently obtained the degree of master of surgery.

Directors' Good Work.

These hospitals owe their inception entirely to spontaneous and purely Chinese effort, and have done an immense amount of good work in this Colony, for which the Government and the Chinese people are most grateful.

TRACKING DOWN THE CULPRIT.



"Persistent investigations have brought us into direct contact with the origin of the outbreak," said Dr. Pope, the M.O.H., in an interview this morning.

NOT STRUCK OFF
THE ROLLS.CASE OF FORMER
H.K. LAWYER.

RETRACTION MADE.

"At a previous hearing I put to a witness in cross-examination a question which implied that Mr. Rowan had been struck off the rolls in Hongkong. I was acting on very definite instructions when I put that question. It has been brought to my notice that it is not true that Mr. Rowan was struck off the rolls in Hongkong. If there is any doubt of it I take this first opportunity of saying that the allegation is not true, as I am told it is not, though I was previously instructed that it was. I should like to withdraw it at once. If it has caused Mr. Rowan any pain or harm I very much regret that fact."

This was a statement made by Mr. G. S. Dodd, one of the counsel for the defence, in the missing title deed case which has already occupied the attention of Mr. G. S. Dodd, the Singapore Criminal District Judge, for some days and which is expected to take up several more days. The case concerns a young educated Chinese, Chang Kham Hoo, the fourth son of a wealthy father who left, at the time of his death some fourteen years ago, an immense fortune in the Netherlands East Indies. This multi-millionaire, Chang Put See alias Chang Tiew Siat, was at one time Chinese Consul at Penang and an ambassador of his country in the United States. He has millionaire sons now living in Java and in Hongkong.

Chang Kham Hoo, who now faces a charge of theft and abetment of the offence of using a forged title deed to obtain \$5,000, made more than one visit to the United States. — *Straits Times*.

Cable From Hongkong.

Messrs. Bradwell Brothers write to the Editor of the *Singapore Free Press*:

Sir—In a recent case in the Police Court the name of Mr. T. Rowan was mentioned and it was stated that he was a solicitor who has been struck off the rolls in Hongkong. In justice to our client, Mr. Rowan, who is not here to defend himself we are to request you to publish the fact that we have to-day received a cable from the Secretary of the Hongkong Law Society stating that it is not true that Mr. Rowan has been struck off the rolls in Hongkong.

In view of the most damaging nature of the statement already made about Mr. Rowan we hope you will give the greatest possible publicity to this letter.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone appears to be central near Peking and nearly stationary.

I congratulate Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan and his directors on the excellent record of work which they have achieved this year. They have under their trust with many improvements added, but I feel sure that the incoming chairman and his directors will maintain the high standard set up. I have much pleasure in declaring the new wards open.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotowall, who spoke in Chinese, also thanked His Excellency.

After the opening ceremony, for the party was conducted round the hospital on a tour of inspection.

GOVERNORSHIP
COSTS.POINTED COMMENT
IN SINGAPORE.

A £2,000 CAR.

Under the heading "The Mislead Axe," the *Straits Times* has some strong criticisms to make of the expenditure incurred on the Governorship of the Straits Settlements and the High Commissioner of the F.M.S., posts held by Sir Cecil Clementi.

It is pointed out that the total sum spent on the Governorship approaches the surprising figure of \$400,000, according to the Estimates for 1931, and it is suggested that there exists a lot of dead wood on which the economy axe might be wielded with profit. If it has not been completely mislaid after being applied with such vigour in other directions.

"Very Unsatisfactory."

While we do not desire, on the evidence so far before us, says the journal, to write anything that might be construed as a general charge of wanton waste of public funds, we do submit that a study of the estimates reveals a number of items which make very unsatisfactory reading in the light of the compulsory cuts that have been made in the emoluments of Government servants, and the still further reductions that are believed to be in contemplation. Analysing the expenditure the journal says:—There are in Malaya four official residences provided for H.E. the Governor and High Commissioner. They are Government House, Singapore, Government House, Penang, Bel Retiro, Penang Hill, and King's House, Kuala Lumpur.

Free Servants.

His Excellency receives a salary of \$60,000 per annum and has the following servants provided at the public expense:—One lundal, one head house-boy, seven other house-boys, three cooks, a curry cook, a head butler, two assistant butlers, five table servants, two watermen, two pantry boys, a sewing amah, a second amah, a foreman gardener and three sub-mandors, gardeners at various rates, \$11,000 per annum, and a caretaker for Bel Retiro.

There are in addition to the Government House guardian, an orderly and assistant orderly, record keeper, private secretary, office assistant and aides-de-camp.

Other Items.

A sum of \$3,000 is provided annually for the renewal of household requisites, \$1,000 for the maintenance of furniture at Government House, \$350 for the maintenance of lights at Bel Retiro, \$1,000 for telephones, \$2,500 for upkeep of grounds, free motor-cars and \$7,500 per annum to maintain them.

The total expenditure provided for under the heading "Governor" in the estimates for 1932 is \$137,998. In addition to the foregoing, water is supplied free to Government House and Domain by the Municipality and towards the electric light bill in respect of Government House and Domain, amounting to over \$800 per month (p. 129, Colonial Estimates 1932), the Governor pays only a portion.

A £2,000 Motor Car. In the Colonial Estimates for 1931, on page 34, item 11 reads:— (Continued on Page 5.)

SANDAKAN LIGHT
COMPANY.HOPES OF DIVIDEND
VERY SOON.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Further alterations to the overhead high tension mains are being carried out, by which means it will be possible to increase the security of a continuity of light and power supply, stated Mr. R. G. Shewan when presiding at the annual meeting of the Sandakan Light and Power Co., (1922) Ltd., held this morning at Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co.

There was a slight decrease in the profit on the Working Account year, while the total number of units actually sold decreased by some 20 per cent.

Chairman's Speech. In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, The profit on Working Account, without including provision for depreciation amounting to \$29,794.49, is \$65,308.96, which is a little less than the previous year's profit of \$68,126.00. The total number of units actually sold decreased by 20%, as against last year. Of this, lighting accounted for 3%, and power 16.7%. Borneo, in common with other parts of the general depression, I am pleased, however, to say that there are indications that the timber trade is improving.

The net balance on Working Account is \$32,514.47. After putting aside \$2,815.16 to Sinking Fund for replacing the cost of our concession and charging Managing Agents' Commission and Directors' and Auditors' Fees, there remains, after crediting income from investments, interest and scrip fees, and profit on sales of investments and old machinery, totalling \$8,919.59, a balance to credit of Profit and Loss Account of \$31,932.70, which is transferred to the General Profit and Loss Account as per Balance Sheet.

Dividends Shortly. The sum of \$31,932.70 has been applied to the reduction of the adverse balance of \$50,381.73 brought forward from last year, leaving now a balance at debit of General Profit and Loss Account of only \$18,449.03. I think I may say that at last we seem to be approaching the time when we shall be able to commence the payment of dividends.

You will note from the balance sheet that our investments, including investments on account of Sinking Fund to replace the value of the concession, stood on 30th June last at \$149,672.45. We are continuing our policy of investing in sound local stocks spare funds that become available from time to time.

Further alterations to our overhead high tension mains are being carried out, and by this means we shall increase the security of a continuity of supply, in addition to being able to do work on certain sections without the necessity of interrupting the supply to the whole area or district.

Plant Maintained.

The generating plant, sub-stations, etc., have been kept in good chimney condition. The old steel chimney which had corroded badly has been completely renewed, and now that we have an additional chimney, which was installed last year, we shall be better able to do the necessary painting, etc., and thereby considerably prolong the lives of both chimneys. The spray pond which we use for cooling our condenser circulating water has been doubled in capacity. The extensions to our power house building, consisting of a

RADIO
BROADCASTTO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF
RECORD MUSIC.

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.
6.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese programme.
6.00-6.50 p.m. Chinese children's concert.
7.00-11.00 p.m. European programme of Victor records.
7.00 p.m. Mail notice, etc.
7.05-7.50 p.m. Operatic.
Chorus-Faust-The Fair (Gounod).
Chorus-Faust-Waltz and Chorus (Gounod).
Metropolitan Opera Chorus. 9.07.
Orchestral-Walkure-Ride of the Valkyries (Wagner).
Orchestral-Rheingold-Prelude (Wagner).
Symphony Orchestra. 9.16.
Song-Le Prophete-Ah, Mor Filis (Ah, My Son!) (Meyerbeer).
Song-Orpheus and Euridice-Che Fare Senza Euridice (I Have Lost my Euridice) (Gluck).
Sigrid Onegin (Contralto). 9.50.
Piano Solo-Die Fledermaus-Paraphrase (Strauss-Godowsky).
Henna Molchevitch. 7.20.
Song-Addio (F. Paolo Testi).
Song-L'Africana-Lead Me Toward the Vessel (Meyerbeer).
Enrico Caruso (Tenor). 7.15.
8.00 p.m. (Local time and weather report).
7.50-8.40 p.m. Orchestral.
(a) Serenade (Mozzowski) (b) Aubade (Auber).
Liebenleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler).
San Francisco Symphony Orch. 6.02.
Capriccio Italian (Tchaikowsky).
Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 6.40-6.50.
L'Arlésienne (Bizet).
Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. 9.12-9.13.
Violin Solo-Menuet (Bach-Winteritz).
Violin Solo-Gavotte (Beethoven).
Fritz Kreisler. 1.13.
Piano Solo-Valse Oublies (Forgotten Waltz) (Liszt).
Piano Solo-Capriccio in F Minor (Dohnanyi).
Vladimir Horowitz. 1.45.
Violoncello Solo-(a) Songs my Mother Taught Me (Dvorak) (b) Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Violoncello Solo-Song Without Words, in D (Mendelssohn).
Pablo Casals. 7.19.
9.00-11.00 p.m. Dance programme.
Fox Trot-Sam and Delilah.
Fox Trot-Bidn' my Time. 2.30.
Fox Trot-I Didn't Have You.
Fox Trot-Now That You're Gone. 2.28.
Fox Trot-There's No Other Girl.
Fox Trot-I'm all Dressed up With a Broken Heart. 2.27.
Waltz-Blue Kentucky Moon.
Fox Trot-My Moonlight Moon.
Fox Trot-Minnie, the Moocher. 2.27.
Fox Trot-Heebie Jeebies. 2.27.
Fox Trot-I Love You so Much.
Fox Trot-Dancing the Devil Away. 2.28.
Fox Trot-Jackass Blues.
Fox Trot-Up and At 'Em. 2.08.
Waltz-Iush-a-Bye.
Fox Trot-Idolizing. 2.07.
Fox Trot-Love Louisa.
Fox Trot-New Sun in the Sky. 2.27.
Fox Trot-You Can't Stop me From Loving You.
Fox Trot-What's Keeping my Prince Charming? 2.27.
Fox Trot-I'll Love You in my Dreams.
Fox Trot-I Think a Little Kindly of Me. 2.27.
Waltz-In a Little Spanish Town.
Fox Trot-There's a Boatman on the Volga. 2.02.
Fox Trot-Whistling in the Dark.
Fox Trot-My Cigarette Lady. 2.27.
Fox Trot-Smile, Darn Ya, Smile.
Fox Trot-I'm Crazy 'Bout my Baby. 2.26.
Waltz-You Will Remember Vienna.
Fox Trot-I Bring a Love Song. 2.26.
Fox Trot-Hard-to-Go! Getie. 2.01.
Fox Trot-Kalinka.
Fox Trot-'Gimme a Little Kiss, Will 'Ya? Huh?
Fox Trot-Lonesome and Sorry. 2.03.
Waltz-Sweetheart Memories.
Waltz-The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi. 2.02.
11.00 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.
11.03 p.m. Close down.
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new office for our Manager, meter department, and stores, were completed during the financial year. I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and Accounts as presented to the meeting, and when that has been seconded shall be pleased to answer questions from shareholders.

The adoption of the report was seconded by Mr. S. M. Churn and carried unanimously.

Other Business.

On the proposition of Mr. F. J. Tavares, seconded by Mr. A. A. Botelho, the Hon. Mr. J. F. Bragg and Mr. S. M. Churn were re-elected to the Board of Directors and on the motion of Mr. T. Toppin, Messrs. Love Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Selth and Fleming were re-elected as auditors.

Supporting Mr. R. G. Shewan were Hon. Mr. J. P. Bragg, Mr. C. A. da Rosa and Mr. S. M. Churn (Directors), Mr. Noel Bragg (Secretary), Mr. D. W. Munton (Consulting Engineer) and Messrs. J. Toppin, T. T. Toppin and Chan Man-kai (shareholders).

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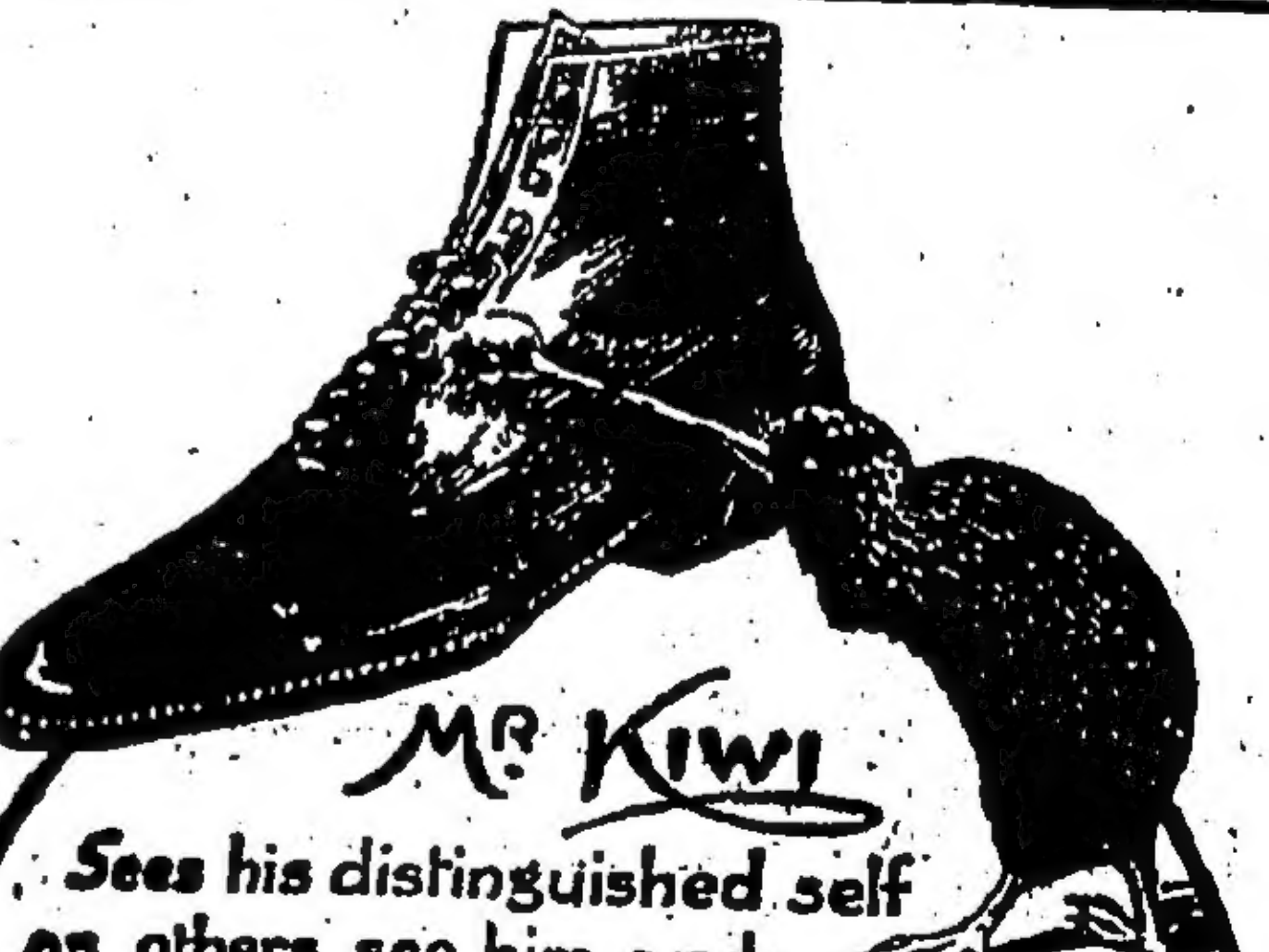
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selected to play for England
against South Africa at Twickenham. He plays for Bath
and Somerset.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

KEEN MATCH ENDS
IN DRAW.

Shameen, Dec. 29.
An interesting League match
was seen here yesterday when
H.M.S. Tarantula met Shameen
Sports Club in their return match
of the season. In the absence of
Pote-Hunt in the attack, Shameen
fielded a somewhat weakened
side, while Gerrard having to
drop back to the defence, further
weakened the attack. In the
opening stages of the game TULA
pressed hard and were definitely
on top, the Shameen defence doing
well to keep their goal intact.
Towards the end of the first half
TULA obviously weakened and
Shameen took charge of the game,
giving the TULA defence an an-
xious time but without scoring.
Throughout the whole of the
second half the exchanges were
fairly even with alternating raids,
both sides being unlucky on several
occasions. A goalless draw was
the most fitting result of a clean,
well-fought game which was per-
haps the fastest and most evenly
contested match of the season.
Shameen are still an undefeated
side, having played ten matches,
winning seven and sharing the
points on three occasions.

Other matches of interest played
of late were Tarantula v. Moth,
when the former won 3-1;
Shameen v. Moth, which ended
in a draw of 1-1; Lusitano Club
v. Tarantula, also a draw of 1-1;
Sennew v. Moth, which the former
won 4-1.

The League table now reads as
follows:—
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Shameen S.C. 10 7 3 0 29 10 17
Moth 10 4 3 3 19 17 11
Cicula 10 3 3 4 15 14 9
Sennew 7 3 2 2 15 12 8
Tarantula 7 3 2 2 13 13 8
Lusitano 5 0 3 6 11 32 3
Moerchen 5 0 2 3 6 10 2

—Our Own Correspondent.

FOOTBALL.

POSTPONED ARMISTICE
DAY MATCH.

A very interesting game has been
arranged and will be played on New
Year's Day on the Hongkong Football
Club's ground, when the Combined
Services will be pitted against the
rest of the Colony.

Two strong teams have been chosen
and a strenuous game may be ex-
pected.

It will be recalled that this fixture
was to have been played on Armistice
Day, but owing to the weather the
game had to be postponed. In some
respects it was well that this was so,
for the interlude has allowed players
to find their form and give the public
a better exhibition.
His Excellency the Governor has
kindly consented to be present.
The kick off will be at 3.30 p.m.

FANLING GOLF.

MIXED BOGEY AT
XMAS.

Ten pairs entered for the Mixed
Bogey competition over the Christ-
mas holidays, which resulted in a
tie between Mrs. Redmond and P.
S. Cassidy and Mrs. Cassidy and
J. E. H. Cogan. They returned
cards of five down.

The following will represent the
Club de Reccelo in their League Match
against the Hongkong Cricket Club
2nd XI on Saturday, January 2nd,
1932, at King's Park, at 2 p.m. sharp:
H. A. Alves, Dr. A. P. Gutierrez, M. F.
Pinna, J. H. Figueredo, L. Gutierrez,
A. P. Pereira, F. J. Romedios, G. A.
Gutierrez, A. Prata, F. H. Carvalho
and A. N. Other.

MOTOR PUMP THEFTS.

TWO MEN SENT TO
PRISON.

Appearing on remand before Mr.
Schofield at the Central Police
Court this morning on charges of
burglary and theft of a Duro
electric motor from 355, Lockhart
Road, two young Chinese were sen-
tenced to prison terms.

The defendants were remanded
from Monday in order to enable
the police to arrest a third man
said to have been the principal
offender, but it was stated this
morning that although the two
defendants gave the police every
assistance, they were unable to
locate the wanted man.

Detective Inspector Rozesky
informed his Worship that the de-
fendants were unknown to each
other until they were introduced
by the third man, who had offered
them employment. On the night of
their arrest the third man had gone
for a rickshaw whilst the first de-
fendant gave the motor to hold.
It was whilst the principal man was
away that the detective appeared
and arrested the first defendant.
The third man had apparently seen
the arrest and immediately dis-
appeared from the district.

His Worship remarked that the
offence was a serious one, but as
defendants had helped the police
and as both were quite young, he
would make the sentence light.
The first defendant, who commit-
ted the theft by climbing on the
shoulders of the second, was
given two months' hard labour and
the other six weeks' imprisonment.

GOVERNORSHIP COSTS.

(Continued from Page 7.)

"Purchase of a Daimler Limousine
Double-six car, Singapore, \$18,000."
Well over \$2,000 a year. An-
nually the gubernatorial dignity
should be secure in that. The
draft Colonial Estimates for 1932
contained, at page 139, the item
"Governor's Bungalow, Bel Retiro,
Rebuilding \$80,000" which led to a
question in the House of Commons.
The question was withdrawn as
"the item has been deleted from the
Estimates," but the fact remains
that the item was included in draft
Estimates submitted to the Legis-
lative Council when the slump was
acute.

And then there is the Sea Belle
II. On pages 76 and 79 of the
Colonial Estimates for 1932 the
cost of the Governor's yacht for
the year is given as \$101,000 and
this presumably does not include
the cost of launches to and from the
shore. There would be no loss of
prestige if this expensive yacht
were disposed of finally, for on the
few occasions that it is necessary
for His Excellency to travel by sea
a vessel could be chartered tem-
porarily from the Straits Steamship
Company or some other organiza-
tion.

Gott. House Bedrooms.
Again quoting Colonial Estima-
tes, this time for 1931, we find
at page 134—"Government House.
Construction of additional bed-
rooms above the supper room, \$53,-
000." \$33,000 of this amount has
actually been expended this year.
We are not prepared to say that
the accommodation at Government
House was fully adequate before
these alterations were undertaken,
but other occupants have found it
sufficient even in times of prosperi-
ty. That beautiful gateway to
Government House Domain—with-
out walls on either side and entirely
useless as a gate—cost \$6,600.

H.M.S. CORNWALL LEAVES.

RELIEVES BERWICK
AT SHANGHAI.

H. M. S. Cornwall left Hong-
kong early this morning for Shang-
hai, in the ordinary course of re-
liefs.

The naval authorities state that
there is nothing unusually signifi-
cant in the premature departure
of the cruiser.

More than two months ago, when
the relief programme was being
drafted, it was arranged that the
Cornwall was to take the place of
the Berwick, when the latter re-
turned home in January.

The Cornwall was scheduled to
leave Hongkong the first week in
January, but owing to the calling
of the Berwick up the Yangtze, it
was decided to despatch the Corn-
wall a few days earlier.

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tralian National Airways experi-
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6th January.—British Wireless.

SILVER DOWN IN NEW YORK.

HONGKONG MARKET
DEAD.

Silver has again slightly declin-
ed in New York, which reports a
drop of 1/8th on a dull market.

In London, the quotation is un-
changed, small business being re-
ported. After the official fixing,
the market ruled easy, American be-
ing inclined to sell.

The Hongkong dollar remains
unchanged, with the market dead,
as it also is in Shanghai.

SUITCASE WEDDINGS.

PRIMATE ASKED TO
STOP THEM.

The question of marriages in
fashionable London churches of
couples who have no residential
qualification in the district is being
considered by the ecclesiastical au-
thorities, following complaints
made by vicars.

The matter is receiving the at-
tention of the Archbishop of Can-
terbury, Dr. Lang.

There is no doubt that suitcase
marriages are increasing. An in-
spection of the register at any fa-
shionable church will show that ac-
commodation addresses are given in
many cases to obtain a licence.

The same address is given time
after time. In some cases it is the
"crisis" house; in others an hotel
in which a room has been rented
and a bag put in for the necessary
period.

DETECTIVE RETIRES.

THE MAN OF A HUNDRED
VOICES.

London, Dec. 29.
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ladies' singles open, men's handicap
doubles and singles, ladies' doubles
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day January 5 and the first round
ties are to be concluded by Wednesday
the 13th, the second round by the 21st,
while dates for the third and subse-
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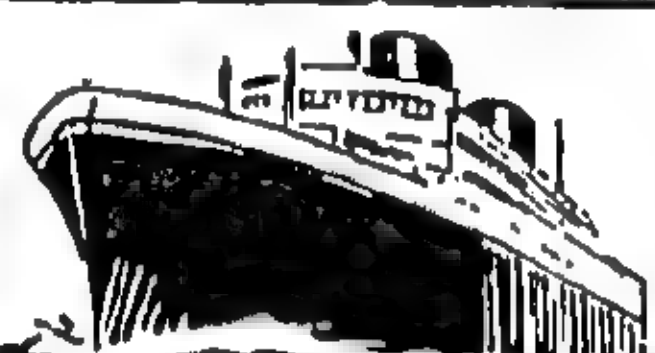
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Sentence of four months' hard
labour was imposed by Mr. Scho-
field at the Central Police Court
yesterday afternoon on a Chinese
who was charged with being in pos-
session of 240 counterfeit coins
resembling the Hongkong ten-cent
piece. The accused, together with
another man, was also alleged to
have conspired to utter the coins.In answer to the charge the first
defendant admitted possession and
said that he knew the coins were
counterfeit but claimed he had in-
tended to sell them merely as scrap
metal and not as a monetary unit.Detective Inspector Rozesky
informed his Worship that the only
evidence against the defendants on
the conspiracy charge was that the
second defendant took the first de-
fendant to a house in Wanchai
and there introduced him to a
ricksha coolie who, however, on
being shown the coins, refused to
have anything to do with them.
The Police heard of the intended
transaction and the defendants
were arrested on leaving the pre-
mises.If the first defendant had made
the same admission when charged
as he had made in court, continued
the officer, the second man would
not have been charged. He was
brought before the Court on being
accused by the first defendant as
having been the man from whom
the coins originally came.His Worship remarked that there
used to be a shop which purchased
counterfeit coins solely as scrap
and asked if there was any such
shop in existence now.The prosecuting officer replied
that he had not heard of any.After hearing the evidence his
Worship sentenced the first de-
fendant on the charge of possession,
the count of conspiracy being dis-
missed against both men.

SHANGHAI WEDDING.

SON OF LOCAL UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR.

The marriage took place at
Shanghai last week of Miss Mary
Malcolm, daughter of Dr. and Mrs.
William Malcolm, and Mr. James
Middleton-Smith, son of Professor
and Mrs. C. A. Middleton-Smith.
The bride is the niece of Lt.-Col.
Dr. John Pringle, and Capt. the
Rev. G. C. F. Pringle of Canada,
and the bridegroom's father is the
well-known Professor of the
University of Hongkong.The ceremony was performed by
Dean Trivitt at Holy Trinity Cathed-
rals. The bride, who was given
away by her father, looked charm-
ing in a gown of ivory satin; her
veil of net silk was embroidered
with seed pearls. She was at-
tended by two bridesmaids, Miss
Barbara Earle and Miss Heather
Bell; both bridesmaids wore deep
blue chiffon velvet frocks with
silver lame capes, and blue velvet
caps to match. The bride's mother
wore a handsome gown of black
mirror velvet with a black hat.Mr. C. M. Vise acted as best
man, and the ushers were Mr. D.
Smart and Mr. A. J. Kane.A reception was held after the
ceremony at the Hotel Tinty; the
bride's going away dress was of
granite red crepe de chine with
cru lace sleeves.

CHEUNG CHAU SCHOOL.

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But as the phonograph records are so
expensive, we cannot do anything at
present. We hope to be able to get
some for the school in the near future.The school play-ground has much
been used by the pupils in playing
Volley Ball and Basket Ball. Several
friendly Volley Ball and Basket Ball
matches have been played with some
visiting schools from Hongkong and
Canton, in the year, and our boys
have improved considerably.Owing to lack of sufficient com-
petitors, our 8th Annual Athletic
Sports Meeting had to be cancelled
this year, but we hope to be able to
have it again next year.In conclusion I beg to thank Mrs.
Franklin for having kindly consented
to distribute the prizes which I have
the honour to ask her to do after Mr.
Wong has finished reading my report
in Chinese for the benefit of those
who do not understand English.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

mirror. It was Mike, the waiter.
"Why, there?" she began, but
Bowen's gesture stopped her."Better not," he said. "Nothing
to be scared of. I just don't under-
stand all I know about this place,
that's all. I'm hoping to find out
something to-night."Mike served them with an im-
passive countenance. The fat pro-
prietor looked in from an adjoining
room, nodded to Bowen, failed to
recognize Mary in her evening at-
tire, apparently, and slipped back."That's Jack Shay," Bowen told
her in a low tone. "Jack's scared
stiff. Somebody slammed into the
front of his place this afternoon,
and he hasn't stopped shaking yet.
Jack can't figure out what they're
after him for, Mike tells me, but
he's gonna put the bum's rush on
some guy he's got laying up up-
stairs. Thinks it's him they're
after. Gang stuff, probably."Mary burst out laughing and told
about the accident."Well, keep it under your hat,"
Bowen advised. "Let Jack worry a
little, it won't hurt him. Teach him
not to let those bums hang around
here the way he does. Jack's a
right guy, but he's always taking it
on the buckles from some other
guy. He's regular grandpa to all
the crooks in Christendom. When
they get in trouble, they take it on
the bum for Jack's, and he puts 'em
up till they can get out of town or it
blows over. All I had had to do
was tell him Mike had a record,
and he took him on. Heart as big
as a beerkeg."He grinned. "That's why we're
dining in this dump to-night in-
stead of in a joint that would fit
those swell clothes of yours. I'm
eating off the cuff this week." Then
he avoided the subject in her eyes
he added quickly, "I wonder who it
is he's got upstairs? Vivian Gor-
don's murderer or the guy that
shot Rothstein?" He was being
funny, now, and Mary smiled ap-
preciatively.Mike, the waiter, totted up the
bill, scribbled on a pad, and laid the
sheet of paper face down on the
table. Bowen picked it up and pre-
pared to sign it. His face changed
colour as he read. He handed it to
Mary.

"The fly is here," she read.

(To be Continued.)

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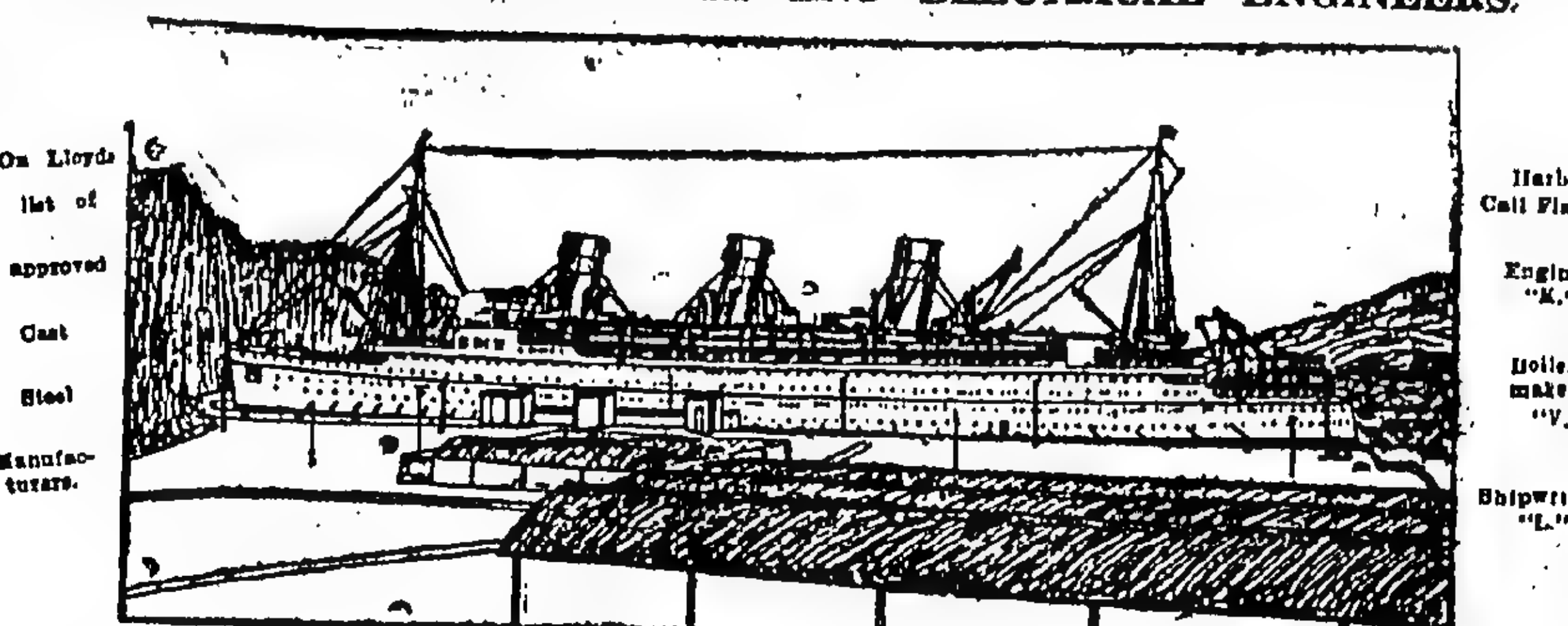
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SAVINGS CERTIFICATES OFFER.

British Treasury Announcement.

London, Dec. 29.

A special offer was to-day made by the Treasury to the holders of National Savings Certificates of the first issue, those issued prior to April 1, 1922, which mature shortly.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer recently declared that he had prepared a scheme providing a number of options for the holders, pointing out that the best way holders could assist the State at this juncture was to leave their money still in the hands of the State.

No Appreciable Reduction.

Mr. Chamberlain revealed that during the financial crisis and General Election the reduction in the public's savings did not reach more than one-tenth of one per cent.

"There is behind all these savings," he continued, "the guarantee of the State, and so long as that guarantee rests as it does to-day upon that security—which is the best security in the world—the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, I say there is no ground for any weakening of that confidence which has been so wonderfully maintained and demonstrated."

Conversion Terms.

The Treasury to-day announced that on and after 18th January, the holders of Savings Certificates issued prior to April 1922—that is those issued at 15/6—may convert the value of their certificates into one or more of the following securities, namely National Savings Certificates Conversion Issue 4 1/2 per cent., Conversion Loan 1940 to four per cent., and National Savings Bonds series B. For the purpose of conversion, certificates of the first issue which have not yet reached ten years' maturity will be treated as worth their present encashment value, plus the shilling bonus due on each 15/6 certificate at ten years' maturity.

Thus, a certificate bought on 31st March 1922 will be treated, if converted on 31st January 1932, as worth 25/10.

Saving Movement.

The National Savings movement has done a great work in promoting popular thrift. It has been so successful that the total number of Savings Certificates sold from the first issue in February 1916 to August this year was 1,048,575,000 with a cash value of £94,470,000.

The amount remaining to the credit of investors in Savings Certificates on that date was about £90,000,000.

HIGH JINKS AT KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE NEW YEAR'S DAY CHARITY GALA.

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The benevolence and readiness for good works which have always characterized the activities of Sir Cumference and Lady de Tong have, we understand, induced them once again to accept the invitation of the Kowloon Football Club to the Charity Gala on New Year's Day morning, which promises to provide even more attractions for the unwary than normally.

The distinguished visitors will travel in state—though what state is not quite certain at present—from the Star Ferry to the clubhouse, leaving the pier at 10.30 a.m. and the proceedings at the Club will be formally declared open shortly after their arrival. The programme will kick-off with the opening half of the annual battle-royal between the Married and Single. All players will appear in fancy dress, under penalty of a heavy fine, but there will be nothing fancy about the football this year. It will be deadly serious. So deadly and so serious that the motor-cycle ambulance corps has been ordered to be on parade with "revolvers" to handle distressed warriors.

At half-time, Pipe Major Mackie and his Highland dancers will keep the ball rolling in a new form, after which Kowloon motor-cyclists will endeavour to wipe out the defeat imposed upon them last year by the Volunteers at motor-cycle football.

Those who have survived the first half of the Married and Single football match will then renew battle.

Throughout the proceedings, the Kowloon Football Club's well-known "joy-dispensers" will be giving away raffle tickets, at 50 cents each, for a series of handsome prizes, too numerous to mention, but ranging from cases of beer to boxes of chocolates, and bottles of port.

The entire proceeds of the festival will be devoted to various charities.

It was on April 1st 1922, that the price of certificates was raised 6d to 15/6, with the maturity value remaining at 25/- and it is to those issued before that date that the present announcement applies.

Small Investments.

It was recently disclosed that small savings in Great Britain, including savings certificates, Post Office savings, building and friendly societies, represented an investment of £2,098,000,000, equal to £17 per head of the total population.—British Wholes and Ex.

OVER A MILLION NEEDED.

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTES

GOVT. SALARIES.

Votes totalling no less a sum than \$1,303,380 are to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council this afternoon, of which over \$499,000 relate to a supplementary requirement in respect of civil servants' personal emoluments.

The provision made in the Estimates and by supplementary vote for salaries amounts to \$499,100 is being asked for.

Less Than Expected.

It is explained that provision was made in the Estimates for the payment of sterling salaries on the basis of \$1=1s. 4d. By a resolution of Council dated 29th January, 1931, it was approved that sterling salaries of Government servants whilst serving in the Colony should be paid as to half at the rate of 1s. 6d. to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Treasury rate.

This was modified by resolution of Council dated 1st October, 1931, affording as from 1st July, 1931, some measure of relief to officers with families at home. Even so it was estimated that the extra cost would amount to \$700,000 more than provided in the Estimates.

Vacancies in offices and the higher rate of exchange ruling during the last three months have reduced the amount originally estimated and a vote for only \$499,100 is necessary.

Final figures for the year are not yet available but so far as can be seen this sum will cover the excess.

Other Items.

Many other items are also due to the fall in exchange, the rate of dollar falling below the 1s. 4d. rate for ten months of the year. The additional sum now asked for includes \$200,000 in respect of civil pensions, \$88,000 for police pensions, and \$20,000 for widows' and orphans' pensions.

Other items affected by exchange are \$45,400 for police passages, \$160,000 for transport of other Government servants, \$167,772 for purchase of raw opium and \$20,000 for stationery.

A sum of \$60,000 is required for water meters for Hongkong, as well as \$32,000 for rent allowances for senior officers. It being explained that the latter sum was underestimated, the original vote being \$90,000.

The many friends of Mr. J. O. Remedios will be glad to hear that he is now out of hospital, after having undergone a serious operation. He was a patient of Kowloon Hospital for a month and desires to express his gratitude to Dr. Smalley and the Sisters for their skill and attention.

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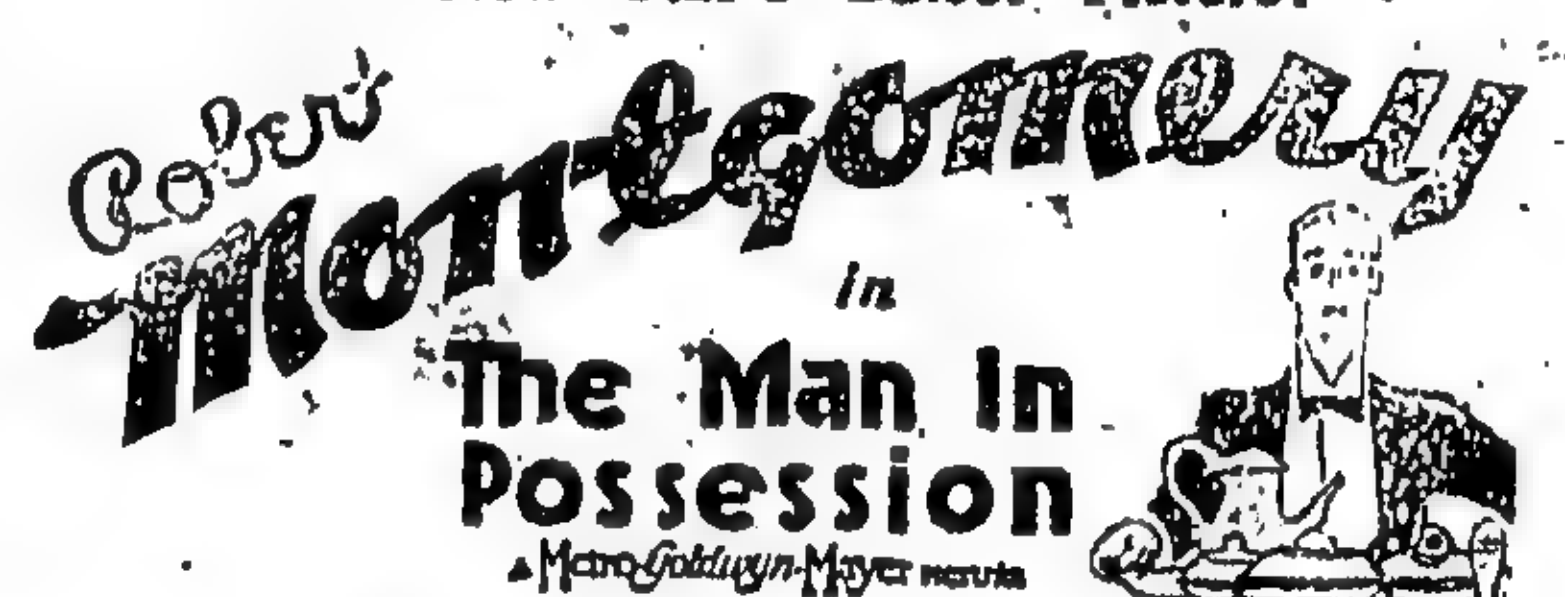
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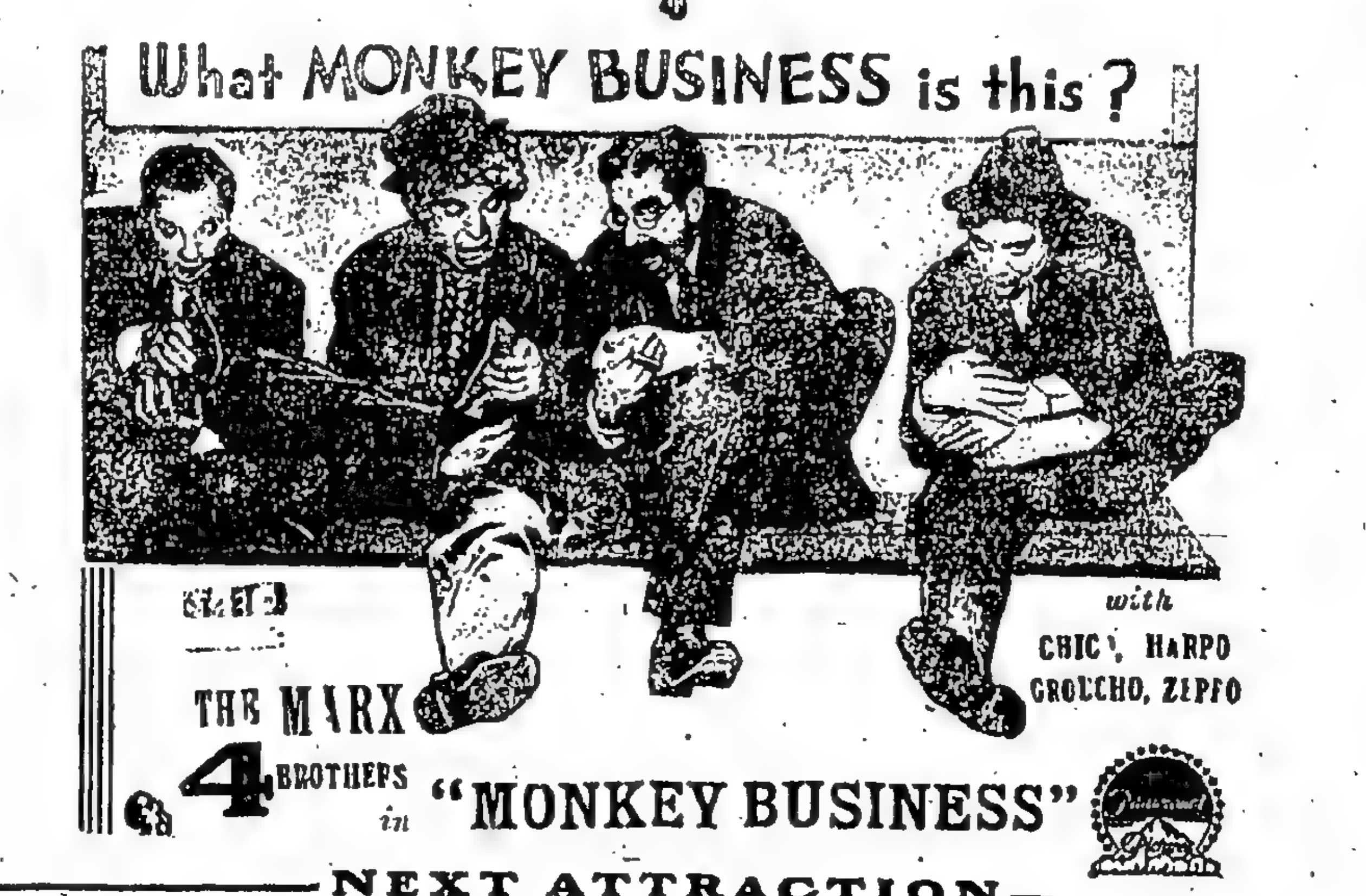
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STILL WAITING.

The Government's failure to publish, up to the present, the report of the Retrenchment Committee, was commented on by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga at the last meeting for 1931 of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, which was held yesterday afternoon.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) presided, and there were also present:

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. Edwin Taylor),
Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy, C.B.E.),
Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.,
Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton,
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G.,
LL.D.,
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga,
Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E.,
LL.D.,
Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie,
Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson,
Hon. Mr. T. N. Chou,
Mr. R. A. C. North (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

The Chairman:—I must first apologise for the lateness of the memo which reached you only this morning. You will appreciate it is an effort to bring in to this meeting as far as possible all the expenditure up to the 31st December, and we were not able to get the details out as quickly as we should have liked.

Water Meters.
With regard to a vote of \$60,000 for the fixing of meters in Hongkong and Kowloon, the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—Is there any means by which this Committee can be informed as to the number of new meters installed in Hongkong and Kowloon respectively? Of course it is almost unfair for me to put the question without notice, but as you mentioned a while ago the papers were circulated rather late. It would be interesting to see what progress in the development of Kowloon is being made in comparison to Hongkong.

The Chairman:—Can the Director of Public Works give us the details now?
Director of Public Works:—I cannot give all the details off-hand.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—I did not think you would be able to give them off-hand but I would like to know what is the ratio of development between Hongkong and Kowloon.

The Chairman:—I will get the information for you.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—Will that be available for the whole of the Council?

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Perhaps a statement can be made by the Chairman at the next meeting?

Hon. Mr. Braga:—Well a short statement would do, but the whole Council ought to have the benefit of it.

The Chairman:—It can be laid on the table at the next meeting.

Cost of Passengers.

Concerning a vote of \$160,000 for transport of Government servants, the Hon. Mr. Shenton asked:—Is that due as regards the increased cost of petrol and oil. It seems a very heavy sum for under-estimation?

Colonial Treasurer:—No, it is for passengers.

Hon. Mr. Shenton:—Transport of Government servants means passengers and not petrol for motor cars?

Colonial Treasurer:—Yes, passengers only.

Sterling Versus Dollar.

Speaking on the vote under discussion and coupling with it another vote of \$32,000 for rent allowances for senior officers, the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—With your permission, Sir, I would like to

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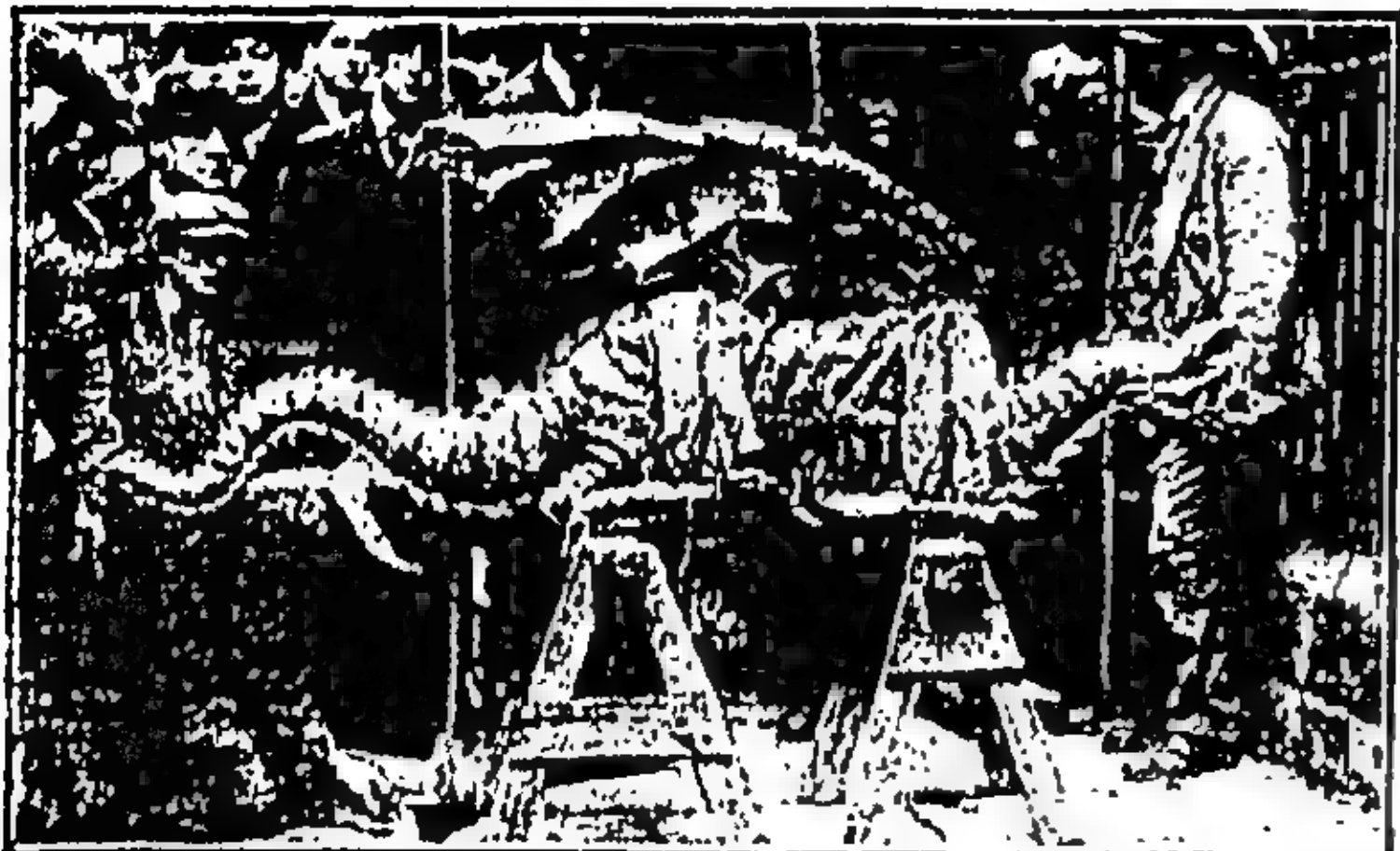
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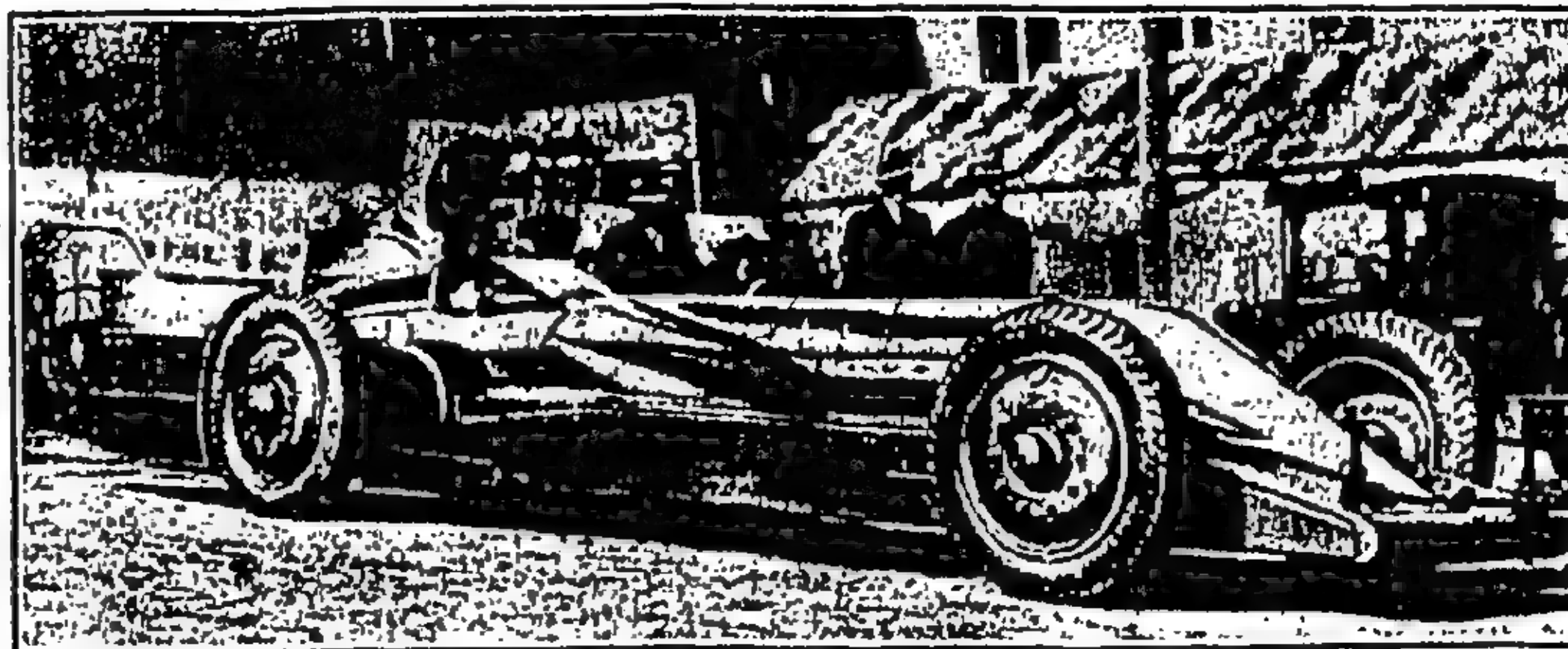
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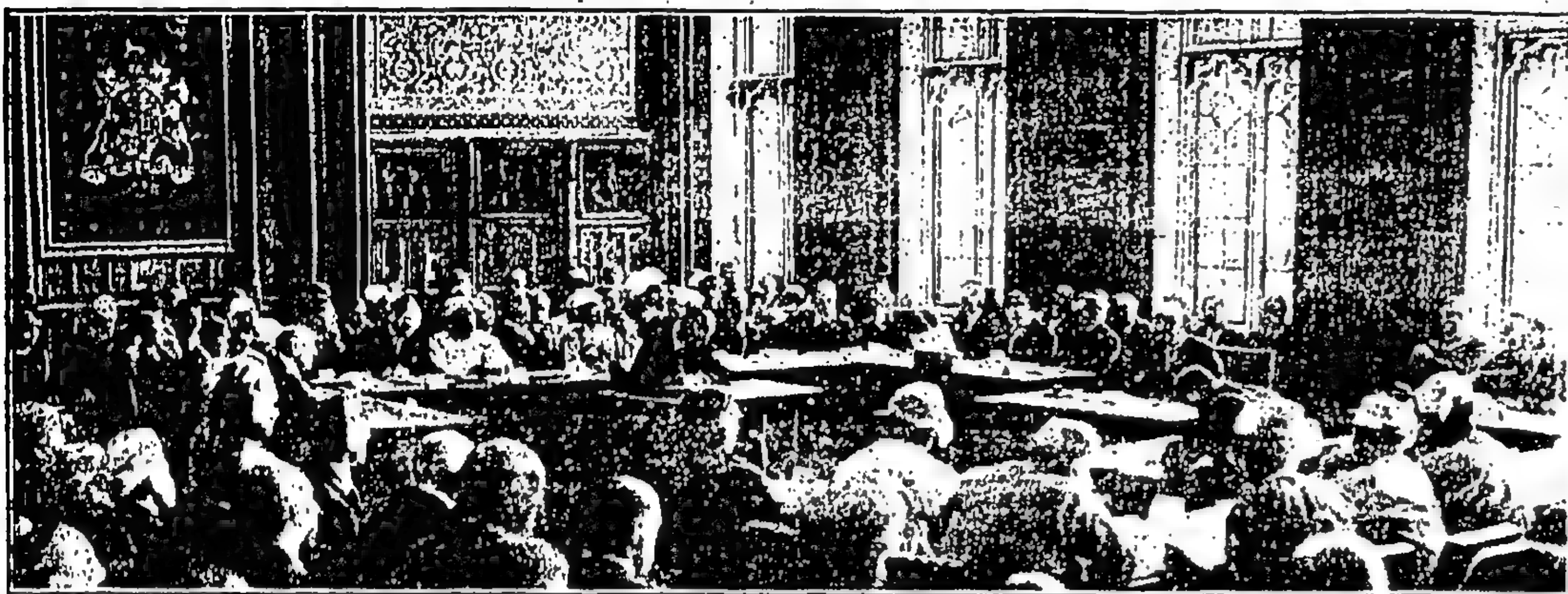
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The dragon which serves as a weather vane for St. Mary le Bow, Chesham, was recently replaced in position after being hoisted to the top of Wren's graceful steeple. (Times copyright).



The "F. H. Stewart Enterprise" in which Mr. N. ("Wizard") Smith, plans to make his attempt to break the world's land speed record in the New Zealand. (Times copyright).



On behalf of the King, the Prince of Wales inaugurated the Burma Round-Table Conference in the King's Robing Room, House of Lords. Our picture shows the Conference in session under the chairmanship of Lord Peel, who is seen towards the right of the picture. (Times copyright).



Princess Durru Shehvar, 18-year-old daughter of a former caliph of Turkey, who has married Prince Azam Jah, son of the Nizam of Hyderabad, reputed to be the richest man in the world.

Gems of Peril

CHAPTER XVIII.

HAZEL CROSS HAILEY

"Oh, waiter!"

Mike had moved off but Dirk called him back. "Where is he?" Mike jerked a thumb toward the door at the rear of the room, the one leading into the private dining room through which Mary had passed in leaving the place that afternoon.

"He's the one Jack's been hiding?"

Mike nodded.

"We'll have to work fast," Bowen told Mary. It was plain that he was disconcerted by the news. His eyes glittered under their sleepy lids and the hand that plucked a fresh cigarette and lit it trembled. As for herself, Mary knew that she ought to feel terrified, but she did not. She was merely tremendously excited and filled with a kind of mad joy. Crisis was at hand.

"They look me through that room this afternoon," she whispered. "There were some men in there then. How does he look, The Fly?" Bowen answered absently. "I don't know. God, what I'd give for the nerve to walk through that door and poke him one!" He flicked a match away viciously.

"Oh, don't! He'd kill you," Mary rasped.

He withdrew from that glittering day-dream to smile.

"Don't worry. I'm no Jack the Giant-Killer. If he got away, he might go gunning for Jack, as a squarer. Can't let anything happen to Jack, the Newspaperman's Hope." He gnawed his underlip in a frenzy of concentration.

"You said you had an idea," Mary reminded him timidly.

"An idea for flushing him when we don't know where he was," Bowen replied. "It's not necessary now." He relapsed into discontented abstraction.

"What was it? she probed.

"Why?" he leaned forward and traced a pattern on the tablecloth with his forefinger thoughtfully. "Simply this: that crook would give his soul for another chance at that necktie. I know it. I'd bet on it. And I'll lay you another bet—I don't know who his playmates are in there, but I'd to one they're hatching some scheme to get that necktie right now!"

"It's locked up!" Mary interposed quickly.

"No doubt," he answered dryly. "But there are ways of getting around that. Of course, if it's in a safety deposit box there isn't much to worry about."

Alarm widened the girl's eyes.

"It isn't," she confessed. "It's in Mr. Jupiter's personal safe. He wouldn't take it to the bank. No use locking the door after the horse was stolen, he said, and besides he didn't care what became of the thing anyway. He hates the thought that it was her jewels, you know—the jewels he gave her, that—"

Bowen nodded, understandingly. "But that's no place for it. Somebody will be knocking him off one of these nights."

"I told him. Mr. Ruyter did, too. He just says, 'Let them come.' He doesn't care what happens to

him now his wife's dead." Bowen was clicking a thumb-nail against his teeth and staring straight through her with bright, thoughtful eyes.

"Well, they say lightning doesn't strike twice in the same place," he mused. "But just the same he's taking an awful chance."

Suddenly he sat up and slapped the table with his hand.

"By George!" he said. "Why not? Let him come, and be damned to him. And while he's grabbing the necktie we'll grab him!"

"Oh, no!" Mary cried, in alarm. She shuddered. "Why not arrest him now? Why leave him free to come back again and perhaps kill—"

Patiently he explained. "We haven't got anything on the Fly as it is. You and I may be convinced that he is the murderer of Mrs. Jupiter and undoubtedly of your brother as well. But what have we got to put before a jury? Not a scrap of evidence of any kind!"

"Those men at the track—"

"We haven't even got a credible witness," he went on. "Bookies, gamblers, touts. Can you see Mike there going on the witness stand and impressing a jury? They'd vote to hang him instead of the defendant."

"No, we've either got to spend a lot of time and money digging for evidence, finding the jewels, finding the car, and the man who drove it, and maybe not getting anything conclusive after all, or getting him red-handed, if we can. If we get too hot on his trail—hot enough to really get the dope on him—he may skip the country and then where would we be? Tied up with extradition proceedings, and a long-drawn-out legal battle. We'd both be old and grey before we got a conviction."

"This trick isn't as dangerous as it sounds, either. And you've got to remember this—if we get him to come to us we can choose the time and be ready for him. If he comes when he pleases, we're stumped."

"But are you sure he'd make another try for it? I should think he'd be too frightened!"

"He's not frightened at all. That's the point! Why, do you think he's hiding from the police in there? He threw back his head and laughed. "Don't you believe it? Why, every cop on the beat knows Shay's is a hang-out for crooks. If Kane asked the metropolitan police to bring him it's the first place in this district they'd look. He'd be safer standing on a street corner. No, he's keeping out of sight for another reason. And a good one."

"This is what I figure: you know criminals are as vain as actors. They're as proud of a 'good smooth job' as any sand-lot Hamlet. If they mull a trick, they get razzed by the rest of the boys. And they're human—they don't like it."

"Now you remember what a raging Kane gave this bird in the

newspapers? Called him an amateur and a bungler, and said he pulled the biggest boner of all time passing up that necktie? That must have got under the Fly's skin! He'd give his soul for a chance to make a fool out of Kane! Give him another chance at that necktie and he'll jump at it. I'd bet my life on it!"

"But how?" Mary was all attention. Bowen's enthusiasm and air of conviction were contagious.

"Through Mike. Or Shay, perhaps. I can do a little discreet talking, after you're gone. It'll go straight to the mark. I suppose you'd call Shay straight but he's heart and soul with these crooks. He couldn't keep a secret."

"Nothing must happen to excite Mr. Jupiter! That's doctor's orders. Even if he would agree, I don't think it would be wise. It sounds awfully dangerous."

"With the place surrounded? Don't be silly. They'd probably nab him without a shot being fired. If he came at all. He might smell a trap—that's what we've got to look out for." He was already planning busily and Mary was beginning to doubt the wisdom of telling him the necktie's whereabouts. "When can I see the old man and put it up to him?" he asked briskly. "He'll have to pay the cops. He ought to, anyway."

Mary said, "Listen! Forget all this. It can't be done. Oh, I wouldn't have them know I talked to you about this for anything in the world—I'd no idea that what you had in mind was anything like this!"

Bowen looked dashed. He spread his hands despairingly.

"Good Lord! It's safe as a church! Where'll you be if he comes when you're not looking for him? That octagonarian butler'll handle him. I suppose! And he'll come. What's he hanging around N.W. York for? He hasn't been near the track and his horse is racing at Belmont tomorrow. I'm positive he

doesn't know he's under suspicion. As a matter of fact he isn't, except by you and me and who else have you told?"

"Mr. Jupiter. And Dirk. And Spence. Oh, how stupid of me! I forgot to tell you—" She recounted rapidly the story of the butler's encounter with the mysterious "gate-crashing" stranger that night Mrs. Jupiter was killed, and the strange coincidence of the coat.

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"There's identification, when we need it!" he exclaimed gleefully. "Of course, it would still be purely circumstantial, but the fact—that the Fly was on the premises that night—will go far toward hanging him. We've almost got a case! Almost!"

Mary's nerves gave way, and she clung to his hands in sudden panic. "Oh, let's call the police! I'd feel better if he was behind bars!"

Bowen looked at her soberly. When he spoke again he had toyed with the idea and rejected it for cause. But perhaps, for her sake, it would be best.

"It wouldn't be easy, though," he said. "There'd be a shoot-out, and somebody would get hurt. Why? Because you can burn in this state for one murder, and he's got two to answer for. Even if they took him, he might stay in jail and he might not. He'd never confess. He'd brazen it out. He knows he can beat the rap if he keeps his mouth shut. And once he knows we're onto him, every other way is closed to us. We'd have to convict him in court, or let him go. If he got off free, you'd have to accept the fact—and like it. There wouldn't be anything more you could do."

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Services v. Civilians, at Hongkong Football Club's Ground, On New Year's Day.
His Excellency the Governor will kick off at 3.30 p.m.

NOTICE.

Owing to the epidemic of diphtheria the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, will re-open on January 11th at 9 a.m. instead of January 5th.

THE HEAD MISTRESS.

PEAK CLUB.

The Committee regret to announce that, under medical advice, they have decided to cancel the New Year Ball arranged for Thursday, 31st December, at the Peak Club.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public business on Friday and Saturday, the 1st and 2nd January, 1932. (New Year Holidays).
Hongkong, 28th December, 1931.

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A Draw for a Number of Greyhounds will be held at the Office of the Club, 19, Avenida Almeida Ribeiro, Macau, at an early date.

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Members wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

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BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in them by Ordinary Resolution of the Company passed by Shareholders at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 1st December, 1931, the Directors of the Company have decided to offer to Shareholders Additional Shares in the proportion of one Additional Share of the nominal value of \$5 for every five Shares of which they are the registered holders on 9th January, 1932.

Such Additional Shares will be issued at par. The full nominal amount of \$5 per share will be payable on acceptance of the offer on or before 1st February, 1932, in the case of shareholders whose Registered Address is in the Colony of Hongkong. In the case of shareholders whose registered address is outside the Colony of Hong Kong, the date for payment will be 1st April, 1932.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 2nd January, 1932, to 9th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1475 n.
Chartered Bank, \$1074 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$17½ n.
East Asia, \$128 n.
Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1,450 n.
Union Ins., \$420 n.
China Underwriters, \$430 n.
China Fire, \$850 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,450 n.
Shipping.
Douglases, \$25 n.
H. K. Steamships, \$24 b.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$25 n.
Union Waterboats, \$25 n.
Mining.
Benguet, \$10½ n.
Kallang, 27/6 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Rauks, \$40 n.
Stocks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$154 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$5.25 b.
Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.
Cottons.
Ewo Cotton Tls. 16 n.
S'hai Cotton Tls. 79 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 12 n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. S. Hotels (old) \$15.15 b.
H. K. S. Hotels (new) \$14.75 n.
H. K. Lands, \$32½ n.
S'hai Land, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys' \$19 n.
Realities, \$12 b.
Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$22.15 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$16.60 b.
Star Ferries, \$96½ n.
China Light, 27.85 n.
H. K. Electric, \$77½ b.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 17.90 n.
Singapore Tractions, 4/- n.

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NOTICE.

ARMS LICENCES.

Holders of arms licences are reminded that their licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1932. A fee of \$10.00 per licence payable in advance will be charged. Licences should call at the Arms Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily (Sunday and Public Holidays excepted), with their arms and licences before 31st January, 1932. One new passport size photograph is necessary.

E. D. C. WOLFE.
Inspector General of Police.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1931.

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Watsons, \$16.85 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6.60 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sincora, \$15½ n.
Powells, \$3.60 n.
Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Constructions, (old) \$5.55 b.

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We beg to announce that from to-day and until further notice, all Milk and Cream sold by us will be Pasteurized and may be consumed as delivered to customers. This step has the full approval of the Medical Officer of Health.

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NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

On Friday, the 1st January and Saturday the 2nd January, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

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General Post Office 8 a.m. to noon
Kowloon Post Office 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

INWARD MAILS.

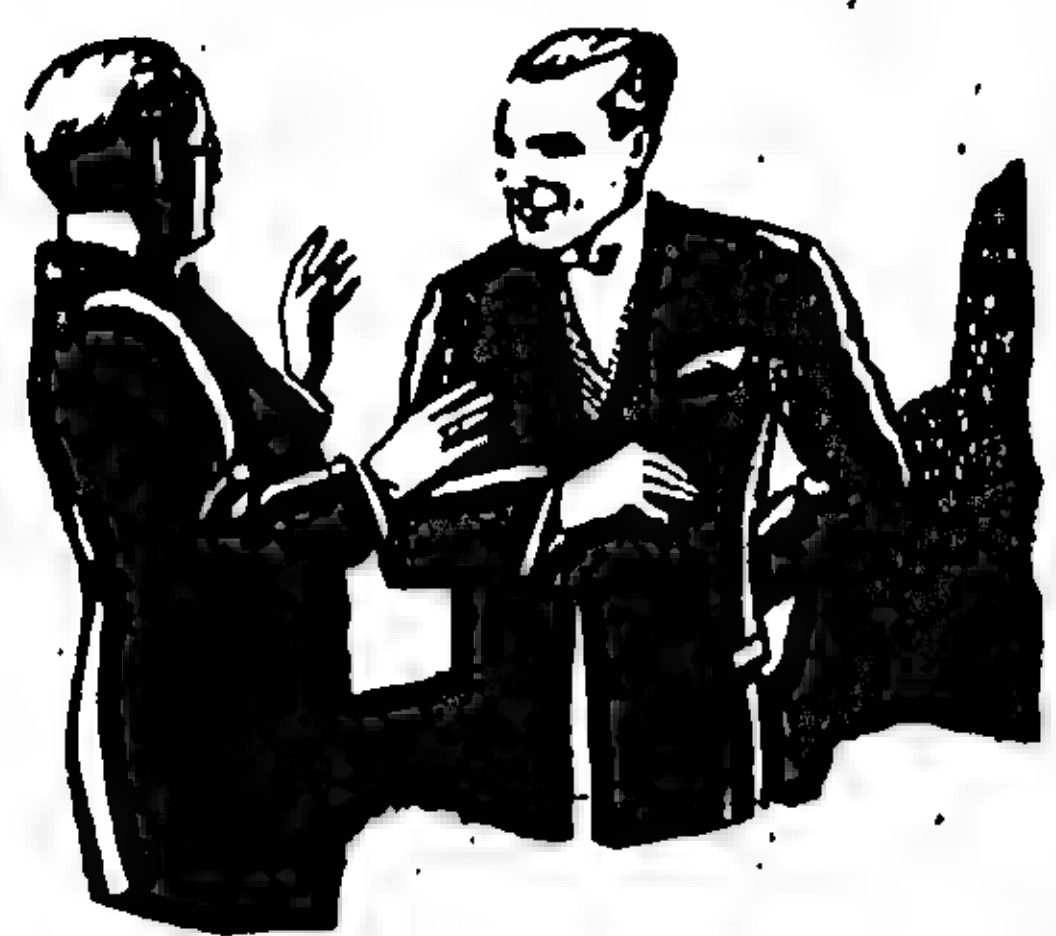
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia Talma Thurs., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.

Empress of Japan Fri., Jan. 1.
Parcels Jan. 1, 10 a.m.
Reg. Jan. 1, 11.15 a.m.
Letters Jan. 1, Noon.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 17th Jan.)
Saigon Linaria Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Swatow and Bangkok Malnam Fri., Jan. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Hohow, Fakhel and Hainan Kungchow Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane Nankin Sat., Jan. 2.
Parcels Sat., Jan. 2, 10 a.m.
Registration Jan. 2, 8.45 a.m.
Letters (Due Brisbane, 10th January.)
Saigon Yusang Sat., Jan. 2, 10 a.m.
Amoy Sulang Sat., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
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THE CITY HALL.

CONDEMNED AS BEING UNSAFE.

The City Hall, on account of its age, has reached a stage where it will shortly be unsafe for public use, it was learned yesterday.

A report made by the Fire Brigade authorities, together with a confirmatory statement by the architects of City Hall Committee, make it perfectly clear that the building cannot remain in its present state very much longer without extensive changes being put in hand.

It appears that lack of funds necessary to effect the alterations which are demanded, places the City Hall Committee in the position of being unable to carry out the work. At the moment, the Government has the matter in hand, and its decision is being awaited.

Mr. Shenton Explains.

Yesterday, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, a member of the City Hall Committee made an authoritative statement on the subject in the following terms:

"A report having been made by the Fire Authority stating that the building (City Hall) is unsafe, and a danger in the event of fire, the Committee of the City Hall feels it cannot accept the responsibility of having the very considerable repairs carried out."

"The Committee has very limited funds at its disposal which do not allow of its carrying out the extensive alterations, and in the face of the advice received the members of the Committee feel they cannot accept the responsibility of allowing engagements in the City Hall in the near future."

"The matter is before the Government, and we are awaiting the outcome."

Whole Building Concerned.

Asked if the report of the Fire Authorities included the whole of the building, the Hon. Mr. Shenton replied "yes," and said that indications were that both the Museum and the Public Library would be closed in the new year unless, of course, the necessary attention was given to the building.

He agreed that the "Cheero" Y.M.C.A., would also be affected and would almost certainly have to move.

Enquiries made by our representative yesterday elicited the reply from Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, Chairman of the Ladies' Committee of the "Cheero" Club, the fact that they had received official intimation to quit at a month's notice. So far as she knew, however, no official notice to move had yet been given.

WEST POINT'S FATE.

COMPLAINT TO CHINESE CHAMBER.

At the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon the Secretary, Mr. Lee Wen-kam, read letters from the Restaurants' Association, the Shark's Fin Dealers' Association, the Fish and Vegetable Mongers' Association and Mr. Ho Lu protesting against the Government decision for the prohibition of prostitution in West Point. The Chairman, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, promised that these letters would be forwarded, as the associations desired, to the Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council with a view to approaching the Government.

The association's and Mr. Ho Lu's letters express unanimous appreciation of the Government's desire to improve morality, but they express doubt over the serious effect which this proscription will have on the restaurants and other trade lines whose business is closely connected with West Point. These letters say that the official decision may even produce immediate effects on the value of house property in West Point, and may throw hundreds of labourers in restaurants out of employment. They appeal to the authorities for a postponement of the proscription, taking into consideration the effect which it may have on trade.

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WEDDING AT MACAO.

MARRIAGE OF HONGKONG MARINE ENGINEER.

Macao, Dec. 28.
A very pretty wedding took place on Sunday, 27th inst., at Macao in the Church of St. Lawrence, when Mr. Alberto de Mello and Miss Anna de Conceicao were married by the Rev. Father Ferreira.

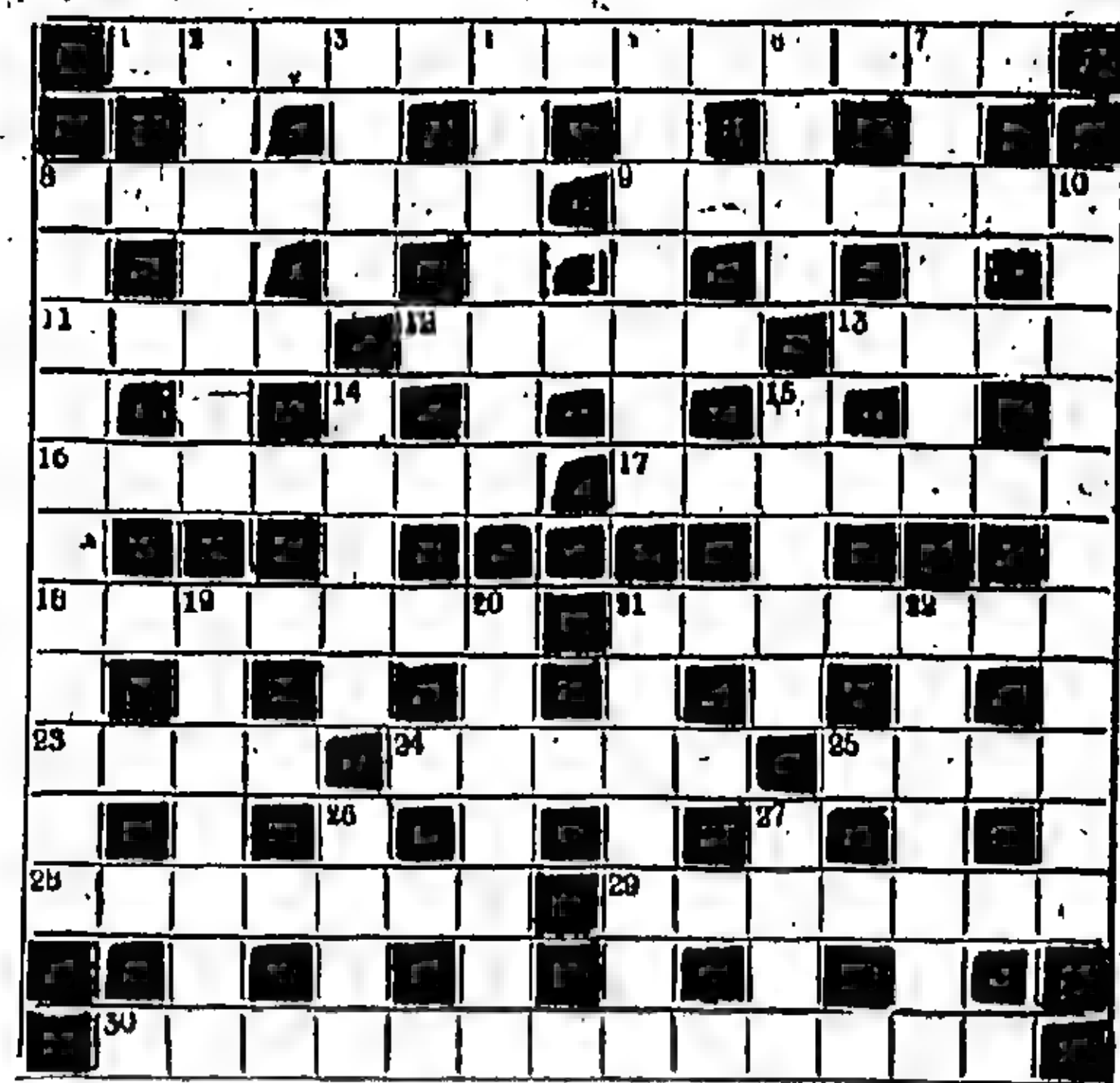
Mr. de Mello, M.B.E., is a son of Mr. A. A. de Mello and Mrs. de

Mello of Macao, and is an engineer in the employ of the Douglas Steamship Company of Hongkong; and Miss Conceicao is the second daughter of Mr. Leopoldo de Conceicao, an employee of the Macao Municipal Council, and Mrs. Conceicao.

Mr. Frank Barnes, of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, of Hongkong, and Mr. L. A. de Mello acted as best men.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Macao Club. Our Own Correspondent.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Travelling about.
- 8 Land in this, in a smooth and gentle way.
- 9 One of the knights of Charlemagne.
- 11 Praise this Archbishop.
- 12 A great British industry.
- 13 Scruples about this drink will be quite in order.
- 16 One of the earliest martyrs.
- 17 A good point raised in Wales.
- 18 When the baby does, the centre is of service.
- 21 Apparently the auction-room has a tenant. This is swift indeed.
- 23 Negro surf boat navigator who seems a crew in himself!
- 24 The last man to board the train; he may be very useful after a fire.
- 25 Fight in combination.
- 28 Delicately flushed—from her meal, presumably.
- 29 These youngsters are wrapped up in a set of carpenter's tools.
- 30 Cool, calm and collected, I'm able to agitate in another way.

Down

- 2 When studying clues, make certain after a time, and this should be unnecessary.
- 3 A fellow who's always in a whirl.
- 4 Town in Hertfordshire.
- 5 Like "granfer's" Sunday hat; and though you see a famous city there's no need to die.
- 6 High, undoubtedly, but the lot soon comes to an end.

- 7 Two reds, a plain and a mixed, are regulated but there's nothing in it.
- 8 Prosecution stares him in the face almost everywhere.
- 10 "No man is on it" at a General Election (anag.).
- 14 Its queen visited the son of David's—
- 15 This.
- 19 In putting down this flower a certain loss is incurred.
- 20 Collar work is indicated by the entry of this scholar.
- 21 Sailor.
- 22 Milky.
- 26 Behold a Norse god in comfort.
- 27 Samoan town.

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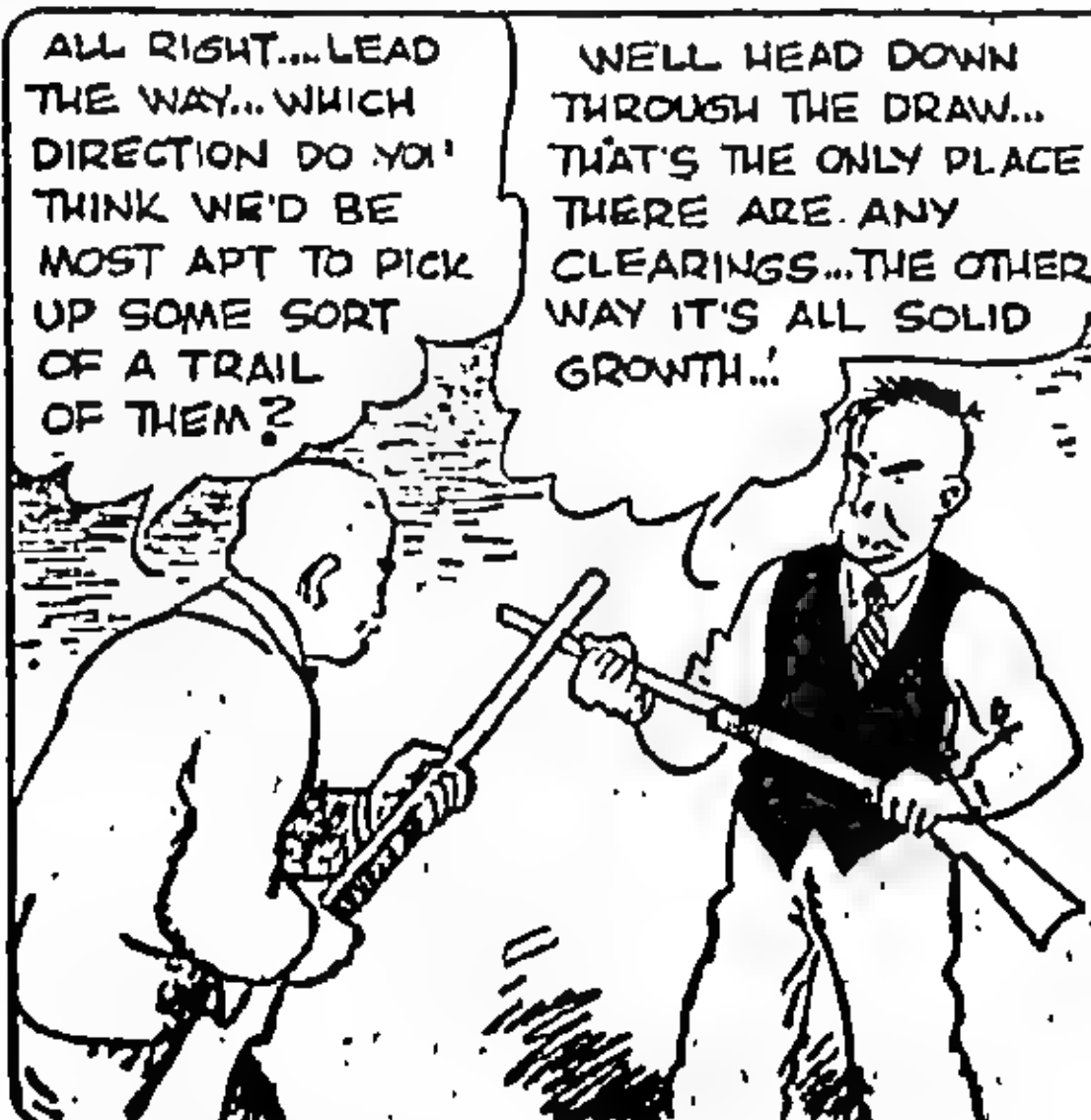
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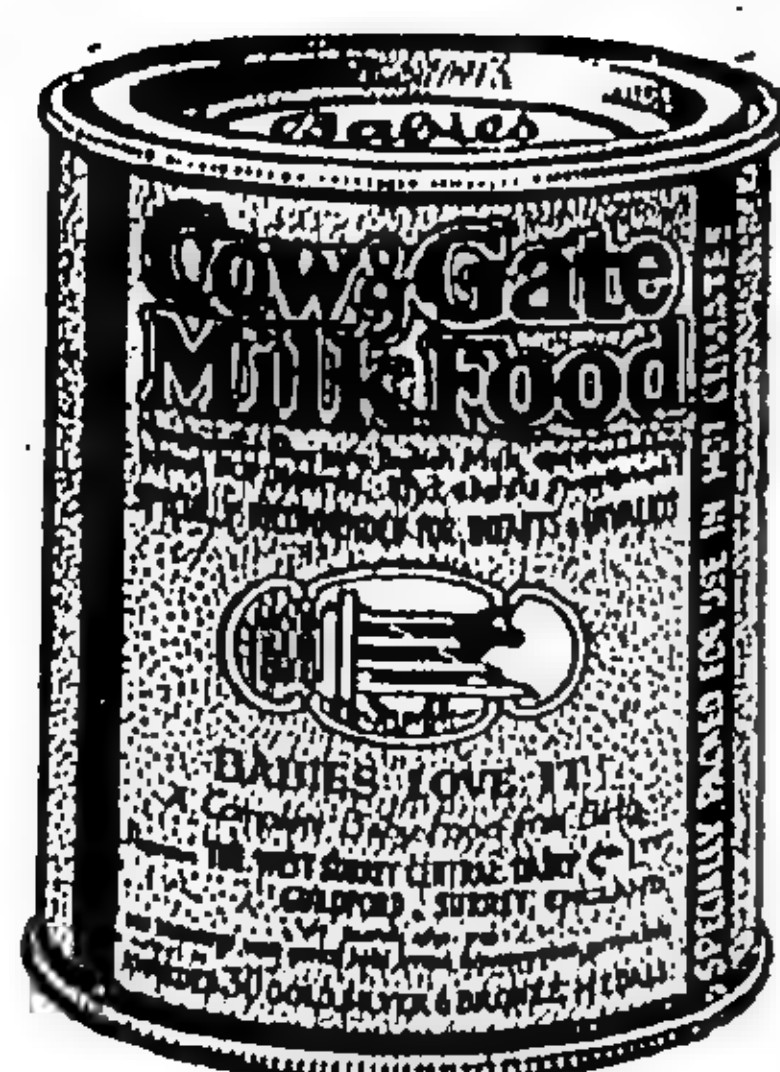
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The family of the late Mrs. Suey L. O'Boy tender sincere thanks to their relatives and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement, also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1931.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Whilst we are among those who believe that there is need for a sanatorium in this Colony, there can be no disputing the submission made by His Excellency the Governor that the most effective means of dealing with the tuberculosis problem is by way of housing reform and efforts which aim at making people live according to more sanitary problems. This, however, is a herculean task, which, as His Excellency says, must take time. At the present moment, there are about fifty deaths per week attributable to tuberculosis, a truly terrible toll. The worst feature is that there is very little done in the way of providing special facilities for the treatment of sufferers, and, as a result, the disease goes largely unchecked. The new wards just opened at the Kwong Wah Hospital represent a step in the right direction, and their provision is a development on which all concerned are to be commended. It will be realised, however, that such efforts can only touch the fringe of the problem; we shall need to go to the root of things if we wish to make any real impression.

Meanwhile, we have existing conditions to face, and it is because there is no immediate prospect of widespread preventive measures being taken that we feel something could be done to alleviate the sufferings of those who are stricken and to reduce the heavy death-roll from the disease. It is true, as His Excellency says that in the East sufferers are reluctant to go into sanatoria, until the disease has gone so far that cure is impossible; that will also be the case, to some extent, where special wards are provided in existing hospitals. Yet we do know that in several Eastern centres a very good work is being done by sanatoria. Even if most of the cases handled fail to respond to treatment, there are some in which cures are recorded. To that extent, the system is of value. Moreover, in these institutions the patients receive invaluable advice regarding their future mode of life, and, by

example, get to appreciate the benefits of fresh air and hygienic methods of living. The experience thus gained is also passed on to others, so that it is cumulative in its effects. In short, it is better to have some special institution for the care of sufferers rather than to let the scourge take its own course in the worst possible surroundings. There can be no doubt that in Hongkong the main cause of tuberculosis is the overcrowding which is to be found in the slum districts, with the expectation habit also a big factor in the spread of the disease. It is satisfactory to know that at long last some effort is being made to deal with this latter evil. On the large issue, the greatly needed reconstruction of the town, natural developments are gradually taking place which must eventually have a beneficial effect. With the development of big new areas in Kowloon and elsewhere, people are slowly moving, out of the congested areas, but the process is likely to be a protracted one. Without a doubt, much of the existing old property should be condemned as uninhabitable, but if this were to be seriously undertaken, it would mean demolishing a great part of the city. We should like to feel, however, that the Government is fully alive to the urgency of this overcrowding problem, for so long as it goes untouched, so long will the predisposing cause of tuberculosis remain. Poverty and economics admittedly enter into the matter, thus complicating the issue. But sooner or later the issue must be seriously faced.

Empire Broadcasting.

From the moment when trans-oceanic short-wave telephony became even an experimental possibility, the idea of regular "Empire broadcasting" has naturally had a considerable fascination for eager and progressive minds. Such minds have long been wondering why their dream is not already an accomplished fact, and are apt to think that, but for the lethargy and conservatism of those responsible for development, it would have become so. Actually, there has been an evolution, not less of ideas than of technique, in the intervening five years. Technically, the scraps of transoceanic conversation achieved in delight and triumph by professional and amateur experts, have developed into a reasonably, though not entirely, steady "service" of commercial telephony over certain routes. Great public departments, corporations and companies have spent large sums not only on experimental, but on "service" installations. Once this stage had been reached, it was an obvious and necessary step for broadcasters and Governments to study the possibilities of the short wave as the carrier of programme services for the world. Until then, then necessity not only was not obvious, but did not even exist. For, if one looks back on the history of this development, one finds that until recently the real driving forces in it were commercial telephony and "amateur" interest. "Programmes," consisting of occasional performances, gramophone records, and relays of ordinary broadcast matter naturally replaced casual conversation, and the reading of tests pieces, at an early stage, but they were only incidental to the scientific development. It is only in the last two years (or at most three) that organisations concerned with giving programme services, and nothing else, have seriously taken up short-wave work. Even to-day, no short-wave station has, as such, become a member of the International Broadcasting Union, and at this very moment, one of the great American stations, which has been known all over the world for years, is applying for the first time for a normal broadcasting licence. These facts—which are certainly not appreciated in the radio world as they should be—suffice to demonstrate that world-wide broadcasting presents problems of very real complexity both technical and general. On the other hand, the fact that all the important broadcasting organisations have now—simultaneously and almost suddenly—extended into this field, can only signify,

DAY BY DAY

THE FIRST REQUISITE TO SUCCESS
IN LIFE IS TO BE A GOOD ANIMAL—
Herbert Spencer.

The next issue of the *Telegraph* will be on Saturday. We take this opportunity of wishing our readers a Happy New Year.

A painter named Chau Yan-cheung, aged 38, of 5, Wellington Street, has been admitted to the Government Hospital suffering from crushed fingers received whilst at work.

Suffering from the effects of an overdose of Adalin, Lai Sing-cheung, aged 57, of 18A Aberdeen Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday in an unconscious condition.

Alleged to have been run over by a hand truck, a small girl, Kwan Ngok-ku, of 4, Tai Weng Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from crushed toes. It was stated that the mishap occurred in Stanley Street.

Injuries to his body were received by Wong Ng, a coolie, of 20, Matauval Road, whilst at work at the Green Island Cement Company early this morning. The man was crushed against a wall through a wire rope of a brick breaking. The man was removed to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

The many friends of Mr. D. O. de Silva will be interested to hear that he is returning to the Colony to take up work as Agent for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. Mr. de Silva has been in England for over four years, and whilst at home he has given numerous lectures on travel subjects.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., advertise that during the New Year Holidays the Company Offices and all departments will be closed. On Friday, January 1 and Saturday, January 2, the Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Under the pretext that they had a present for the occupier of the house, four men armed with daggers were admitted to the first floor of 13, Upper Lascar Row, yesterday morning. After a short conversation with the occupier's wife, who was on the floor with two servants, the men produced daggers and, after binding and gagging the inmates, stole valuables amounting to \$65.

The forthcoming wedding announced of Mr. Charles David Belton, insurance manager, of 6, Hongkong Road, Shanghai, and Miss Dora Kathleen Dorell, nursing sister of the General Hospital, Johore Bahru, Malaya; Mr. Stanley Oswald Gregory, bookbinder, of 13A, Macdonnell Road, Hongkong, and Miss Dorothy Priestly, school mistress of 47, Swains Lane, London; Mr. Antonio Carlos Neves, clerk, of 60, Robinson Road, Hongkong, and Miss Sophia Mohamed Alarabia, of the same address.

that the situation is ripe for at least the beginnings of true overseas broadcasting. Experiments carried out in recent months have had satisfactory results and the B.B.C. are now definitely committed to the construction of a powerful station at Daventry. The station will probably be placed in active service before the end of the coming year. The service will deal with news and national events—ceremonial, historic and sporting, and should serve not only to stir the "exile's" imagination, but create a new demand for wireless in the Colonies.



CAN SCIENCE GIVE MORE SENSES?

By PROFESSOR A. M. LOW.

THAT science can give us more sense is an established fact, but that science can give human beings more senses may well sound improbable! Yet on a small scale science has already given men and women sight, and more recently, hearing.

It is many years now since opticians discovered that by placing suitable lenses in front of eyes that for one reason or another were deficient, it was possible to give the sufferer the equivalent of almost perfect sight. The boon of glasses to short-sighted people is too obvious to need emphasis. Without sight there cannot be a developed brain, since so many of our impressions depend upon light. It is probable that in the near future science will give mankind an even greater gift that will make glasses a thing of the past.

A German scientist has already performed, with moderate success, an operation upon the lens of the eye, correcting its shape, so that a short-sighted person was given normal vision. In the future this operation may be generally carried out, with the consequent disappearance of a great deal of discomfort. To those who have lost their sense of hearing science is also offering a mechanical cure. Satisfactory mechanical methods of aiding the affected ear in its task of receiving sound sensations and transmitting them to the brain have been discovered.

Advantage of Being Deaf.

Wireless has proved of little use because of the weight of the apparatus, but valve amplifiers are used in churches although skilled attention is necessary to maintain them. The most satisfactory method of giving hearing to the deaf has been found to be micro-magnification, and the instruments, of which many kinds are made, are really spectacles for the ears.

The deaf have now actually one advantage over those with perfect hearing, for they need only hear what they require. When a friend asked Edison, the great inventor, if he did not find his deafness a handicap, he replied, "On the contrary, it probably is one of my secrets of success. I do not waste time talking, and I can think quietly in spite of noise about me."

Coming from the inventor of the gramophone, this statement was remarkable. I think it far from improbable that in the future men and women will be equipped with apparatus to eliminate unnecessary sounds, so that they need listen only when they so desire.

It is quite important to health to-day that we should be able to select the good from the medley of unnecessary uproar which so many people seem to think essential to their success.

In many ways it is fortunate that, with increasing sensitivity of the mind, we have suffered atrophy in our animal perceptions. The brains of a man and the ears of a bird would be a most cruel combination.

Scientific aids to seeing and hearing have become necessary with the march of civilisation. In

time we shall, no doubt, require scientific aids to tasting and smelling, although the number of important sensations we receive through the nose and mouth are comparatively small.

Can science go still further and give us senses of which we have at the moment little or no knowledge?

What is the mysterious sense which enables two people to find pleasure in each other's company, even when they do not talk? Is it the same sense which seems to enable some people to have knowledge that danger is near, or that someone is present in the room, although they cannot see or hear them?

Experiments have shown that these senses are probably due to oscillations—like those of light and hearing—although how these movements are set up and received is still a mystery.

Everyday Telepathy.

Great strides have been made in the investigation of telepathy, although sufficient is not shown of the subject yet to justify its being called a science. No one can reasonably doubt that in the future we shall understand these mysterious forces, or even that telepathy may become the ordinary method of communication.

The arrangement by which we have to put an idea into words and then agitate our throat, mouth, and tongue before it can be conveyed to another, is exceedingly clumsy. Telepathy would be as a great boon to those who wish to think as deafness, without its accompanying disadvantages, for there would be no great difficulty in devising a helmet which would prevent the wearer from receiving telepathic impressions until it was "switched on."

The "sixth sense" of which we speak to-day is probably a combination of many things, and in the course of time it may well become highly developed, possibly by mechanical devices, in much the same way as our ears and eyes are aided at present.

The man of the future will certainly demand more impressions in order to receive pleasure. His pictures will be three-dimensional, and accompanied not only by sound, but also by smell. It is already known that taste can play a big part in the enjoyment of an entertainment!

The fullness with which life is lived and enjoyed depends largely upon the nature and number of sensations received. The man who keeps his eyes and ears open obviously knows a great deal more than his friend who looks without seeing and hears without perceiving.

We shall probably come to value the additional senses given to us by science all the more because that of hearing, which is so acute in animals and savages, is gradually being atrophied.

Is it not true that even to-day we cannot appreciate the rhythm of the forest dance unless an appeal is made by sight and sound to the preliminary bodily contortions which produce the mental anaesthesia of delight?

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR HOLIDAYS.

The starting times on the Old Course to-morrow are:
9.15-9.20 a.m. Not to be booked by those travelling by 8.25 a.m. train.

9.24 I. H. Geare, L. R. Andrews,
9.28 O. E. C. Marton, E. O. Priestley,
9.32 H. R. Sturt, A. O. Brown,
9.36 A. Sommerfeld, G. W. Sewell.
The first two pairs on Old Course after arrival of the 8.25 a.m. train should get their clubs and then get their caddies from the Superintendent.

SATURDAY.

New Course.

9.23 Mrs. Cassidy, Mrs. Stewart,
9.26 J. F. Sherry, Mrs. Sherry,
9.44 W. A. Stewart, E. S. Cook.

Old Course.

9.10-9.20 Not to be booked by players travelling on 8.25 a.m. train.
9.24 A. D. Humphreys, D. G. Bruce,
9.28 W. A. Weight, H. A. Mills,
9.32 M. H. Turner, F. A. Redmond,
9.36 R. Dowler, G. E. R. Divott,
9.40 P. S. Cassidy, A. D. Stewart,
9.44 C. H. Bond, W. Woodard,
9.52 I. H. Geare, C. O. Stark,
9.56 S. T. Butlin, N. K. Littlejohn,
10.00 L. Goldman, D. F. C. Cleland,
10.04 G. T. May, S. E. Waller.
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Coroner also dealt with the jury. There is no evidence to show the author of the wound and whether

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MATCH TO-MORROW.

The annual cricket match between
the Past students of the Hongkong
University and the undergraduates
is to take place at Pokfulam to-
morrow, commencing at 10.30 a.m.
The teams to represent the two sides
have been selected and are as fol-
low:

Past.—A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.),
D. K. Sun, S. R. Korman, E. Zim-
merman, S. V. Gittins, J. L. Youngsaye,
A. H. Rumjahn, A. F. Gutierrez, A.
Baker, H. T. Barma and A. T. Barma.
Reserve: T. E. Yeoh.
Present.—A. T. Nomanbhoy
(Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, A. T.
Lee, P. R. Zimmermann, E. L. Gosano, A.
M. Rodriguez, H. Nomanbhoy, K. P.
Gan, P. M. N. de Silva, G. E. Yeoh
and L. T. Ride. Reserve: A. A. Aziz
and D. Roy.

Saturday's Game.

The following will represent the
University 2nd XI on January 2,
against the South Wales Borderers in
a friendly match at Sookunpo at 2
p.m. sharp: P. L. Tan, G. S. Scully,
K. P. Gan, G. E. Yeoh, A. A. Aziz,
D. Roy, R. E. G. Leong, C. E. R.
Charnut, M. M. Yayahbhoy, B. K.
Ng and D. Hunt. Reserve: S. Tata.
Triangular Tourney.

In the annual Triangular Tourna-
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Royal Navy and the Army, the first
two named, who have already been
beaten by the Army, will meet on the
Hongkong C.C. ground to-morrow and
Saturday, commencing at 11 a.m. on
each day.

The Hongkong C.C. will be re-
presented by the following team: H. Owen
Hughes (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, A.
C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, E. R.
Duckitt, R. H. Griffiths, E. J. R.
Mitchell, E. B. Reed, J. E. Richard-
son, G. R. Sayer and R. M. Wood.
Reserve: S. H.K.C.C.

The following will represent the
Club de Recreio in their League Match
against the Hongkong Cricket Club
2nd XI, on Saturday, January 2,
1932, at King's Park, at 2 p.m. sharp:
H. A. Alves, Dr. A. P. Gutierrez, M. P.
Pinna, J. H. Figueiredo, L. Gutierrez,
A. P. Pereira, F. J. Remedios, G. A.
Gutierrez, A. Prata, F. H. Carvalho
and A. N. Other.

The Hongkong C.C. second eleven
will be represented by the following:
R. S. W. Paterson (Capt.), R. B.
Davies, C. E. Gahagan, L. D. Kilbee,
P. W. J. Plummer, J. B. Ratten, W.
Stoker, J. R. Way, L. A. Whips, A.
J. R. Wolf and J. M. Sunley.

PING-PONG.

LOCAL SCHOOL TEAM PLAY
MACAO.

The Ping Pong Team of the Na-
tional English Evening School re-
turned from Macao on Sunday by
Tui Shan. Of the seven matches
played, they won five.
The local team beat To Ying School
19-10; Lai Ying School 12-10; Hop
Chee A. A. 27-8; Tung Fong A. A.
19-16; Chin Woo A. A. 18-17; and
lost to Kiu Ying A. A. 14-21; Chun
Kiu A. A. 13-22.

HARD TIMES.

FAMOUS RACING CLUB
CLOSING DOWN.

London, Dec. 30.
The Beaufort Club in London, one
of the oldest racing clubs in England
is closing down to-morrow owing to
dwindling membership.
The club was once famous for elab-
orate wagers. Staggering sums
were wagered on horse races at the
once famous "call-over."—Reuter.

**HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.**

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.

On this the last day of the year a
steady tone was observable at the
opening session this morning, there
being fair enquiries for investment
stocks.

Sales.

Wharves, \$154.
Star Ferries, \$30 1/2.
Watsons, \$17.
Ewon, \$16.
Douglases, \$25.
H.K. Lands, \$82 1/2.

Buyers.

Steamboats, \$24.
Providents (old), \$5 1/2.
Providents (new), \$2 1/2.
Chinese Estates, \$25.
Trams, \$22 1/2.
H.K. Electric, \$77 1/2.
Singapore Traction, 3/-.
Cements (combined), \$19 1/2.
Cements (old), \$12 1/2.
Agriculture, \$10 1/2.
Watsons, \$16 1/2.
Constructions (new), \$1 1/2.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

ATTRACTIVE MATCH
TO-MORROW.

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the Civilian to-morrow in aid of
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Peel), His Excellency Major General
J. W. Sandilands and Sir Howard
Kelly will be present.

The match is timed to commence at
3.30 p.m. on the Hongkong Club
ground. The band of H. M. Ships
will play before the kick-off and again
during the interval.

Wharves, \$154.

Hotels (old), \$15 1/2.
Realties, \$12.
Ewon, \$16.
Peak Trams (old), \$15 1/2.
Peak Trams (new), \$8.
Canton Joes, \$5 1/2.
Dairy Farms, \$29 1/2.
Powells, \$3 1/2.

Sellers.

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Entertainments, \$16 1/2.
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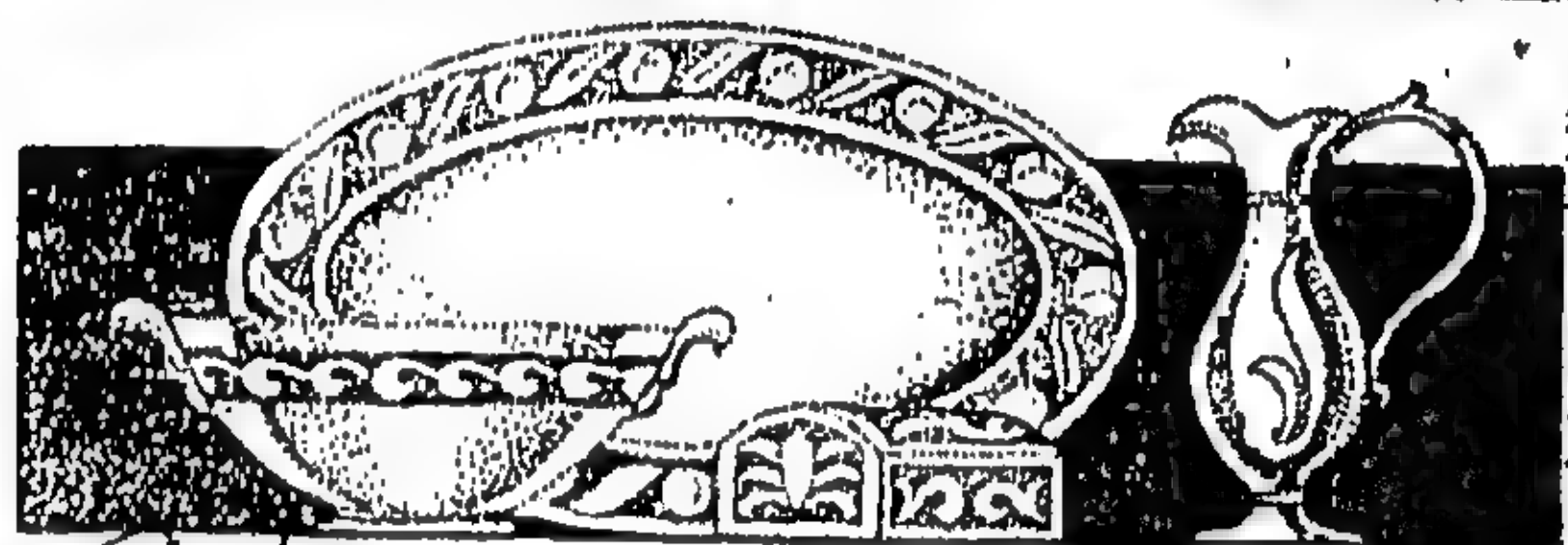
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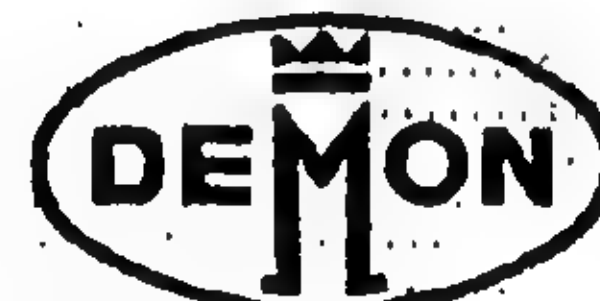
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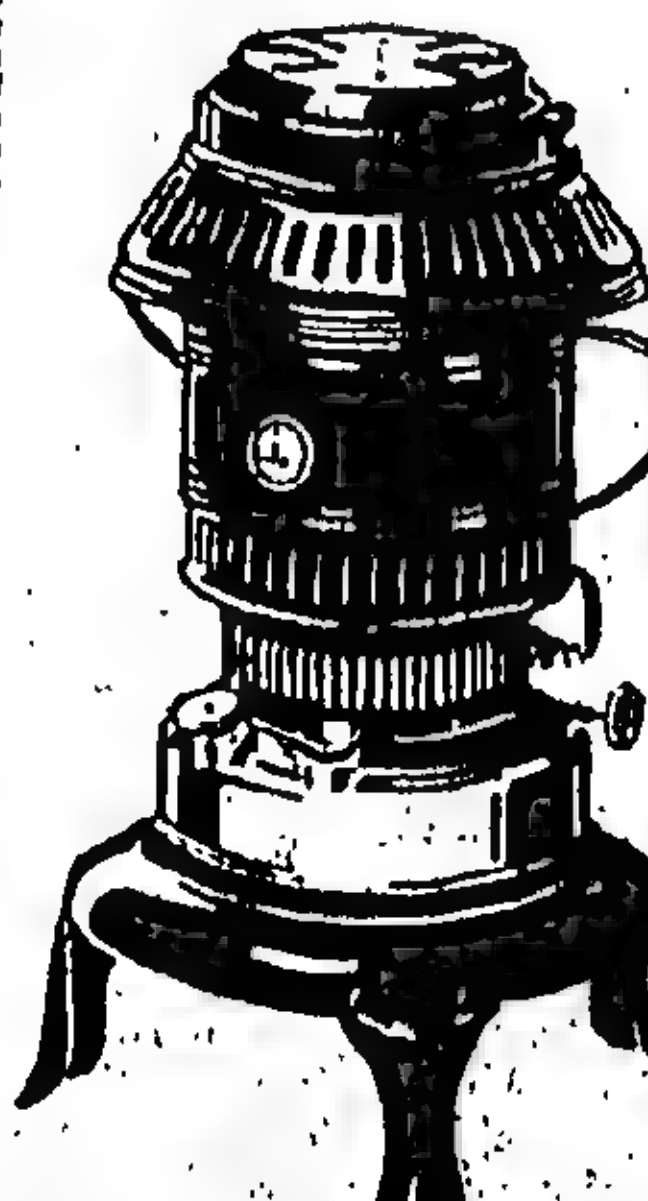
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CHINA'S ABSENT LEADERS.

BADLY NEEDED IN NANKING.

Nanking, Dec. 31. Leaders of the new Government assembled yesterday to discuss general policies, as well as the administration of the Central Political Council and the Central Executive Council.

Regret was expressed at the continued absence of Chiang Kai-shek, Wang Ching-wei and Hu Han-min. The meeting decided to send Mr. Shao Lei-tse to interview Chiang Kai-shek at Fenghua, Mr. Eugene Chen to see Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. Li Wen-fan to see Mr. Hu Han-min, asking the three leaders to immediately return to Nanking.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, in the company of Marshal Li Chai-sum, interviewed Mr. Wang Ching-wei in hospital at Shanghai yesterday and discussed with him a recommendation made by the Kuomintang commanders in North-Western China for the mobilization of 300,000 Kuomintang and other forces in North China for the purpose of defending China Proper and sending an expedition to Chinchow to recover the lost territories in Fengtien and Manchuria.

Marshal Feng is playing an important role as mediator and after visiting Fenghua to see Chiang Kai-shek he may go to Hongkong to interview Mr. Hu Han-min.—*Reuter*.

RECENT ATTACK ON MATRON.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGE.

A charge of highway robbery and, alternatively, of receiving stolen property, were substituted by Inspector Shaitan, before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, against the Chinese arrested in connexion with the attack made upon Miss E. St. Quintin, of the Military Hospital.

The defendant was originally charged with assault with intent to rob and with larceny from the person. His Worship remanded the defendant until Tuesday afternoon, when the hearing will commence.

Capt. E. Holmes, master of the s.s. Lyceum, reported at the Harbour Office yesterday on the arrival of his vessel from Hoihow, that two Chinese passengers had died at sea from chronic phthisis. Capt. R. W. Hocking, master of the s.s. Talma, which arrived in port yesterday from Singapore, reported the death of two Chinese deck passengers from consumption and hyperphresia.

CANADA'S G.O.M. OF POLITICS.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE FOSTER.

EMPIRE PREFERENCE PROTAGONIST.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.

The death has occurred of Sir George Eulas Foster, the well-known Canadian statesman, at the advanced age of 84 years. Sir George was born at Carleton Place, New Brunswick in 1847 and after a brilliant career at New Brunswick University and at Edinburgh and Heidelberg he returned to Canada where he became a schoolmaster and later Professor of Classics at his old university from 1872 to 1879. Then until 1901 he



Sir George Foster, the Canadian statesman, whose death is reported to day.

was vice-president and general manager of the Union Trust Co. Entering the Dominion House of Commons in 1882, he had sat in it practically ever since.

In 1885, he became Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the Macdonald Cabinet and in 1888 Finance Minister. He resigned from the Bowell Government in 1896, but withdrew his resignation when Sir C. Tupper became Premier soon afterwards.

From 1911 to 1921 he was Minister of Trade, first in the Borden and then in the Union Cabinet. As Minister of Marine, he prepared the Canadian case for the joint commission on deep sea fisheries which sat at Washington in 1888 and led to the Chamberlain-Rayard treaty. It was he who in 1891 moved for the appointment of a Royal Commission on the liquor traffic, and in 1895 he supported the resolution for the extension of the Canadian franchise to women.

Brilliant Debater. A brilliant debater and a strong believer in protection for Canada and in preferential trade within the Empire, he made a series of speeches on these questions in

EXPLOITING A CRIPPLE.

BEGGAR ATTRACTS BIG CROWD.

Attracted by a large crowd which filled the street fronting Queen's Theatre yesterday, a European Police Sergeant discovered the object of interest to be a horribly crippled man grovelling on the ground. With his legs twisted over his head as he went through grotesque contortions and with froth issuing from the mouth, the man presented a pitiable sight. The situation called for quick action, but as a chair was being brought up by the Sergeant for the conveyance of the poor man to the Central Police Station, an elderly Chinese darted round a pillar, where he had previously remained in obscurity, and, holding the cripple on to his back, quickly made off. However, he was caught by the sergeant and made to take the cripple to the Police Station, with the Sergeant as an escort.

Before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, the elderly man was fined \$7, or ten days' hard labour, on a charge of begging. A profitable partnership is now to be severed. He is to be separated from his crippled partner, who is to be placed in a charitable institution.

NEW BRIGHTON GET TWO POINTS.

SECOND WIN IN 20 MATCHES.

London, Dec. 30.

In the Third Division (North) to-day, New Brighton, at present wooden-spoonists, defeated Stockport County by two goals to one. It was New Brighton's second victory in twenty games.—*Reuter*.

Great Britain in 1903 at the invitation of Mr. Chamberlain. He was Canadian representative on the Dominions Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the trade and resources of the Empire, and in 1913 visited Australia and New Zealand in connexion with this investigation.

In 1916 he was one of the four British delegates to the Allied Economic Conference in Paris. He had been knighted in 1914 and in 1918 he was made a G.C.M.G. Canada's representative at the Peace Conference, he headed the delegation of that Dominion to the first Assembly of the League of Nations and was elected a vice-president. Thanks to his devotion to outdoor exercise, boating, fishing, cycling and gardening, Sir George was to the last remarkably keen and vigorous for his age. In 1926, when he was 79, he took a very prominent part in the League debates. His second wife, whom he married at Geneva in 1920, is a daughter of Sir Wm. Allan, M.P.—*Reuter and I.B.S.*

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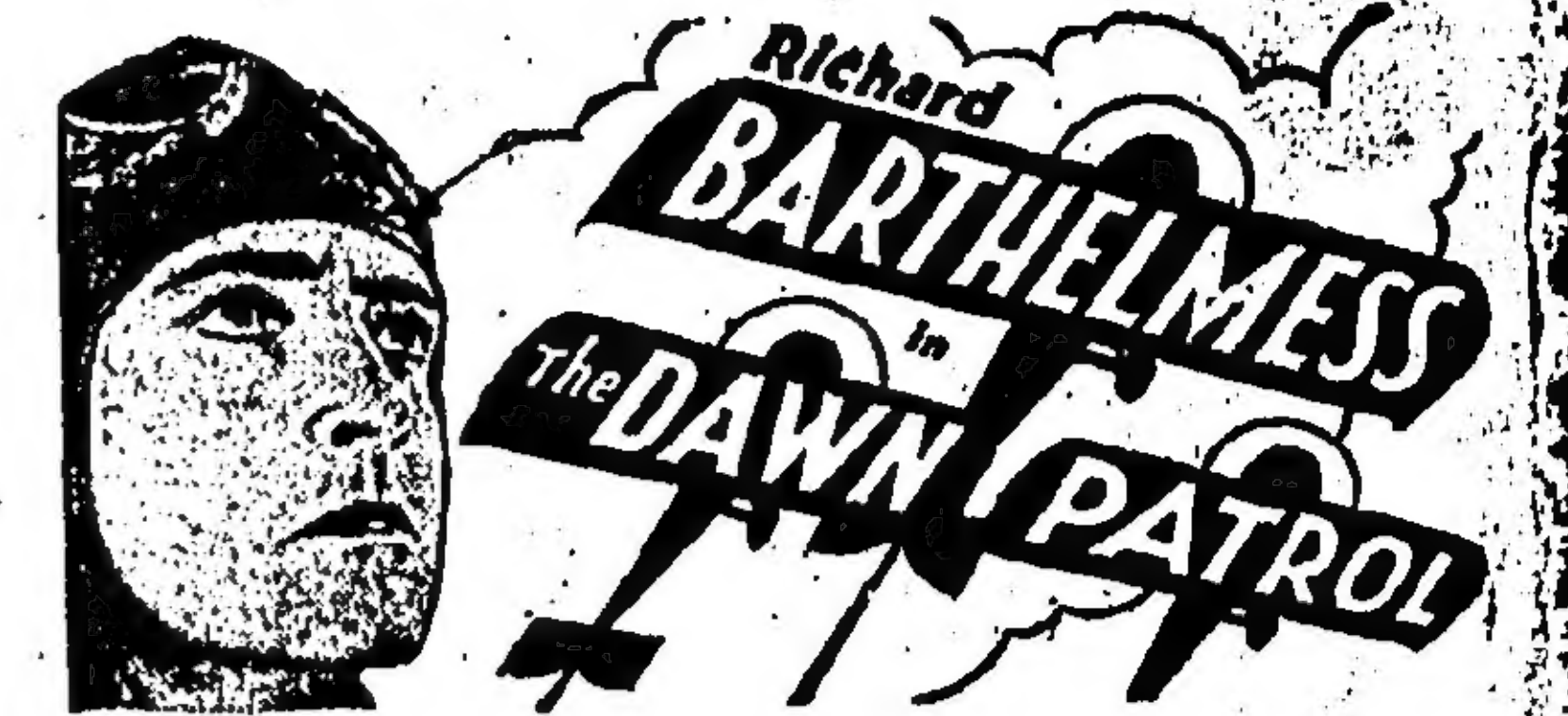
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August 1932 7/6 up 2 1/4 d.
December 1932 7/9 up 2 1/4 d.

Buyers at above prices, selling asking 1/4d-1/2d more. Market closed firm. All markets will be closed Friday and Saturday.

New York Terminals.

March 1932 1.18 no change.
May 1932 1.18 up 1 pt.
July 1932 1.23 down 1 pt.
September 1932 1.20 up 1 pt.
December 1932 1.26 up 1 pt.
London (30/12/31).—Peru 98% and/or similar, C.I. U.K. business has been done January shipment 7/-; buyers few sellers.